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Light freedom's torch

'Never again Auschwitz' rabbi says at ceremony

TORONTO –

"Never again will Auschwitz stare us in the face; never again will that endless stream of wandering be our fate."

These were words spoken this week by Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, senior rabbi of Holy Blossom Temple and national chairman for the Canadian observance at city hall ceremonies marking the 25th anniversary of Israel's modern statehood.

Earlier in the week, he was one of the featured speakers at Montreal's Dorval Airport where the celebration by Canada's Jewry was touched off by the arrival of a torch of independence kindled in Israel by President Zalman Shazar. It was flown to Montreal by a special El Al flight.

"There is now once again an anchor point for our people," Rabbi Plaut said. "The year 1948 meant that the wandering Jew had ceased to wander and had simply become a Jew. . . .

"We Jews have no quarrel with the world because it demands more from us than it demands from others. The world wants perfection from us, of us alone among all the nations of the world! But then, does not God himself, in His own wisdom, also demand such perfection? Did He not, in the ancient view, judge us more severely than any nation in the world precisely because we were His people?

"Therefore, in response to Him, we will say to ourselves and the World: 'We will not rest until Israel will be secure and at peace; we will forever strive to render the Holy Land worthy of God's presence, and with our brothers in Zion will labor to make the Promised Land a land of human promise and spiritual fulfilment until from Zion shall once more go forth the Law and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.'"

W. Gunther Plaut

Madeline Epstein

"Twenty-five years ago," said Rabbi Plaut, "the torch of independence was kindled in Israel's heart. Today, in this free land, we greet our brothers and say with the ancient seer, arise, arise, for your light has come to shine."

Special police security measures were in force at both Montreal and Toronto. Leading members of the three levels of government attended both ceremonies.

Twenty Jewish communities across Canada are celebrating the Jewish state's anniversary. Mrs. Madeline Epstein, chairman of the torch ceremonies committee, told **The CJN.**

"The torch of independence ceremonies constitute the single most important event of community involvement in retelling the story of Israel's 25 years of modern history," Mrs. Epstein said.

Each community will have a torch to kindle and the celebration will revolve about this symbolism that vividly recalls the 1948 founding of the state and the agony of its birth.

Allon's warning

No Arab land safe if terror continues

JERUSALEM (JTA-JCNS) –

No Arab country will be safe from attack by Israel while Arab terrorists continue their murderous acts, Yigal Allon, the deputy premier, declared here.

His blunt warning to the Arab states that they could not hide behind the fragile Middle East ceasefire came only a few hours after the Israeli authorities had foiled an attempt to assassinate Shimon Peres, the minister of communications, and M. Kurtz, the director-general of the ministry of social welfare.

Letter-bombs addressed to both men were discovered in the sorting section of Tel Aviv post office and rendered harmless. Existing security measures were strengthened still further and Israel radio broadcast warnings in many languages to Israelis, telling them not to open suspicious-looking letters or packages.

Yigal Allon

Israel has not yet recovered from the shock of Dr. Ami Shachori's murder in London. That it should have occurred in the Israeli Embassy – in a way, Israeli territory and under the protection of Israeli security elements – has shaken the public.

Allon, speaking to foreign correspondents, said he did not believe any political progress towards peace in the Middle East was possible while acts of Arab terrorism continued throughout Western Europe and the world.

He refused to name individual Arab governments who might face retaliatory action, but said: "Neither Syria nor any other Arab country will enjoy immunity as far as our counter-terrorist actions are concerned.

"Israel has a legitimate right to take her own action. We shall take necessary measures to subdue terrorism or at least limit it so as to make it ineffective."

Meanwhile, Gen. Ezer Weizman, chairman of the Herut Party, advocated that Israel apply direct and severe military pressure against Arab countries that aid and support terrorists in order to force those countries to put an end to terrorist operations themselves.

The former air force commander and former cabinet minister claimed that the selective bombing of terrorist bases in neighboring countries and the periodic search - and - destroy raids into terrorist zones were ineffective.

Like vodka, the idea leaves us breathless

TORONTO –

Peter Margolis has an idea that he feels is bound to be profitable – but not for him.

The Toronto businessman wants the Jewish community here and elsewhere to switch from Russian vodka to Israeli vodka and in this way help the Israeli economy. Why help the Russians?

"I've been granted a listing by the Liquor Control Board of Ontario for a kosher vodka," Margolis said. "I have no intention of making a profit for myself. My sole interest is in helping Israel's economy and here is the chance to do it."

All commissions earned by Margolis will be turned over to the synagogues and organizations to encourage them to re-order the Israeli vodka.

In texture and price, it compares favorably with any on the market, Margolis claims, and he hopes synagogues and Jewish organizations will switch from supporting a Russian product to encouraging the Israeli one.

"If the Jewish community buys this vodka, then the market will open up for other Israeli liquors," he said.

Canoe trip helps area drug users 'kick' habit

By GARY LAFORET
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO –

Six University of Toronto students went canoeing this summer with some unusual companions – more than 50 young drug users from the Toronto area.

"The idea of the trip was to try and show kids on drugs an alternate way of living, in a natural setting," said political science student Philip Fischer, 20. He began in January to organize the summer project which transported youngsters from the streets and plazas of Toronto to Algonquin Park.

Armed with grants from Opportunities for Youth, federal department of health and welfare, the Metro council and donations from 17 other individuals and companies, the students began gathering equipment for the trip but later found that locating the drug users was more of a challenge.

"It's a difficult process getting kids," said Fischer "We went around to the different agencies, community centres, housing projects

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Philip Fischer

Montreal women, garbed in black, march to the Russian consulate to protest the "head tax" imposed on Soviet Jewish intellectuals who wish to emigrate to Israel. Each woman assumed identity of an imprisoned Soviet Jew.

Russian Jews arrested after presenting petition

TORONTO –

A number of Russian Jews were forcibly removed from their homes and arrested after a petition was presented to a meeting of the Supreme Soviet last week, the Toronto Student Council for Soviet Jews has been told.

Mrs. Alexander Volinksy of Moscow, answering a telephone call from the home of Luba Schiller of Toronto, said the petition of more than 50 names protested the exit tax imposed on Jewish intellectuals wishing to emigrate to Israel. The homes of those arrested were blocked off by militia men, she reported.

Following the arrests, 27 persons went on a hunger strike in front of the Central Telegraph Office, Mrs. Volinsky said. The militia physically removed most of them.

But two remained and were joined by 10 others. These 10 were arrested and their phones disconnected.

Those who remained free, reported Mrs. Volinsky, were harassed by abusive phone calls and anti-Semitic threats such as "Don't you dare come out, you Black Septemberists" and "Dirty Jews and Jewish thugs."

Some prisoners were released after a few hours, but others were given 10 to 15 days behind bars, she continued.

One prisoner, Genia Kerzner, who suffers from heart trouble, was beaten up and sentenced to 10 days in jail. And Ilia Belau and Alexei Tummerman were placed in psychiatric hospitals as their punishment.

A number of anti-Semitic incidents in Minsk, one of them involving a relative of one of the Israeli Olympic athletes killed in Munich, were reported by Jewish sources in the Soviet Union. The sources said that Daniel Slavin, 14-year-old nephew of slain Olympic wrestler Mark Slavin, was attacked by hooligans who threw acid on his face. He suffered burns but his eyes were saved.

The sources said that many Minsk Jews have received leaflets in the mail warning them to go to Israel "or we shall kill you." The leaflets were signed "Black September," the Arab terrorist group responsible for the Munich outrage. But they are believed to be the work of local hoodlums, the sources said.

Soviet-Arab-Chinese bloc pressures Israel at UN

NEW YORK (JTA) –

Israel will come under exceedingly heavy fire from the Soviet - Chinese - Arab bloc, it was clearly indicated at the opening of the 27th General Assembly of the United Nations.

The new Assembly president, Stanislaw Trepczynski, said in his acceptance speech that the UN has the right to demand that its decisions with respect to the Middle East be complied with by those involved.

Adam Malik, Indonesia's foreign minister, echoed the president's words. He said the only road to a peaceful solution of the Middle East impasse lay with compliance with the provisions of the Security Council and Assembly.

The proliferation of violence through acts of terrorism such as the killing of 11 Israeli Olympic athletes at Munich, the booby-trap murder of an Israeli diplomat in London, new aerial hijackings, new fighting in the Middle East and Uganda, make it impossible for the General Assembly to avoid the issue posed, observers said.

The U.S. is expected to push hard for action eliminating asylum for the perpetrators of terrorist acts, including bombings, skyjacking and kidnapping.

But many delegations, including virtually all of the Arab states, oppose strong measures on grounds that it is impossible to draw a line between terrorism and patriotic acts. Some sources said that efforts might be made to refer the matter to the Legal Committee in order to avoid debate and concentrate on drafting a resolution.

More funds are sought to aid nursing homes

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

MONTREAL –

Allied Jewish Community Services will continue to press the Quebec government for additional funds to operate nursing home facilities for the aged, says the AJCS director of community planning.

"According to law we can't move without their approval," said Emanuel Weiner, "and the government has first to develop its planning program before any substantial changes will take place."

Weiner said the government recognizes the seriousness of the problem for all of Quebec's senior citizens, and he expects the government will soon deal with the matter.

The "critical" lack of nursing home space has become a top priority for the Montreal community's local needs, since health services statistics revealed the need for 2,500 beds for the 125,000 Jewish population.

There are 150 beds presently in operation for nursing home patients – patients who are over 65 and who do not need to be in chronic or convalescent hospitals.

When Maimonides Hospital and Home for the Aged was completed, plans were made to build an additional three floors on top of the five storey structure.

The larger building would have accommodated 210 more beds, but construction was halted in 1970 with the change in provincial governments. Some 23 other Quebec institutions also were affected.

AJCS runs a program where nursing home space is bought in private establishments, and the community organization will shortly purchase an additional 10 beds although, according to Weiner, "it is, sadly, only a drop in the bucket."

More than 400 elderly persons are presently listed on waiting registrations for the Jewish community health institutions.

"But the government does recognize the problem," Weiner said, "and they told us their social affairs staff will develop a plan which will be announced soon."

Weiner said a Maimonides Hospital proposal requesting funds to enlarge a day care centre for the aged will very likely be approved.

The centre will accommodate an additional 30 persons "giving the family some form of emotional and physical respite, as well as giving the aged medical supervision."

AJCS is also enlarging programs and services such as meals on wheels, and foster home care for the elderly who reside at home.

This year over $260,000 will be allocated – above the previous year's budget – to combat the nursing home problem.

on the wire

Israel may outlaw JDL, is warning

JERUSALEM – Police Minister Shlomo Hillel warned that the government would consider outlawing the Jewish Defence League because of its admitted role in arms smuggling attempts. Two JDL members have been arrested and JDL leader Rabbi Meir Kahane was questioned but not detained. The arms smuggling was to equip league members abroad with weapons to combat terrorism with terrorism.

Declaration sought

LONDON – Britain's Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home calls on Israel to make an "unequivocal" declaration that she does not desire to annex Egyptian soil.

Two synagogues bombed

BUENOS AIRES – Bombs damaged two synagogues here, the Central Sephardi Synagogue in Camargo St. and the Central Ashkenazi Synagogue in Paso St. No one was injured. No arrests have been made.

Soviet needs dollars?

TEL AVIV – The Russians have imposed their ransom on Soviet Jewish professionals because they need dollars, according to Joseph Berger-Barzilai, an expert on Communist affairs.

Investment drop noted

HAIFA – A slackening in foreign investment is hitting industrial development in Israel. Investment is now concentrating on hotels and property with little going for plant expansion or new factories.

Organizations and People

Al Green (right), chairman of the 1973 Metropolitan Toronto UJA-ISF campaign, is introduced to Israel Defence Minister Moshe Dayan during the general's visit to Montreal. At left is Israel Ambassador to Canada Dr. Theodor Meron and in the centre is Allan Bronfman. Green headed delegation of Toronto UJA leaders who attended dinner of Montreal's combined Jewish Appeal and Israel Emergency Fund.

Clothing mart to open in April

From CJN Quebec Bureau

MONTREAL –

Montreal's fashion industry will get a fresh boost in the new year with the construction of a $5.5 million retailers clothing mart.

The new centre will be ready for occupancy next April, in the city's north end on Chabenel Street. The building will house over 50 garment manufacturers in a four storey structure designed to meet the needs of Canada's major garment centre.

According to Algo Industries Ltd. Vice-President, Ben Schaffer, the purpose of the mart is to create an all purpose centre for manufacturers only, and any retailers coming in from out of town will more or less have to visit the fashion mart.

Each manufacturer's area will be outfitted with showrooms, modelling facilities, offices and of course production facilities – all in a prestigious building with four high speed elevators.

Algo Industries Ltd. – one of the largest garment manufacturers in Canada – decided to construct the new apparel quarters because of the problems encountered by the industry in downtown Montreal.

"We've been manufacturing ladies apparel for over 30 years," said Schaffer, "and we found downtown occupancy to be expensive and difficult for the retailers, so we figured by putting everything under one roof in another area of the city we would be solving several problems in one stroke."

Not only will the 600,000 square feet building provide ample space for a growing Quebec industry, but it will also give it a new image.

Rabbi Shmuel Stauber

Rabbi Henry Hoschander

Rabbi Yitschak Kirzner

Three Orthodox rabbis who recently accepted pulpits here were honored recently at a reception given by Eitz Chaim Schools. Joseph Tanenbaum, Eitz Chaim's president, told those at the reception that the school looks forward to the contribution of the three rabbonim to its development. The rabbis honored are Rabbi Shmuel Stauber of B'nai Torah Congregation; Rabbi Yitschak Kirzner of Clanton Park Synagogue and Rabbi Henry Hoschander of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation. Rabbis Hoschander and Kirzner have children enrolled at Eitz Chaim and Rabbi Stauber works with the School's youth.

Unique canoe trip

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and branches of the Children's Aid Society, and talked to everyone that came into contact with children."

One of those people Fischer went to for advice was his father Martin Fischer, a Toronto psychiatrist who deals with children at Browndale treatment centre and as a consultant for the Children's Aid.

"He helped us focus on what we could and couldn't accomplish," Fischer said.

The boys and girls finally selected by the staff to take part in the project ranged in age from 12 to 24 and were almost exclusively "speed freaks" (amphetamine users), Fischer said. They were all from low-income homes.

When Fischer and the other five students – Paul Rosenberg, Joan Gilmour, Jan Vander Eyk, Bob Lloyd and Mary McDonough – asked professionals what success rate they could expect in their work over the summer, they were told that, if they could even get one off drugs, the project would be a success.

According to Fischer, the students worked with the drug users at a ratio of one enough attention to hopefully shift "the kids emphasis from drugs to human beings."

Members of the staff spent the two weeks they had with each group teaching them swimming and canoeing both at a base camp and in the woods, while avoiding any sermons against the dangers of drug abuse.

"It wasn't a camp where we sat around and talked about drugs," explained Fischer. "We tried to allow the kids to come about their own realizations about drugs by providing the right setting and atmosphere."

The setting and atmosphere included a combination of good food, hard work and attention that Fischer said did a great deal to change the attitudes of the teenagers.

Fischer said there is no way of estimating how many of the "speed freaks" have given up drugs, but many of them have taken jobs or gone back to school.

He said next summer he plans to expand the program but will retain the same aim of "planting the seed that will give the kids support when they come to their own realizations about drugs."

Helped found AJCS, Cecil Usher is dead

MONTREAL –

Cecil Usher, 69, co-chairman of a committee which established the Allied Jewish Community Services and former president of the Baron De Hirsch Institute, died last week.

In 1964, he was the only Canadian member of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds' overseas mission to Israel and was a vice-president of the organization.

Edward Green
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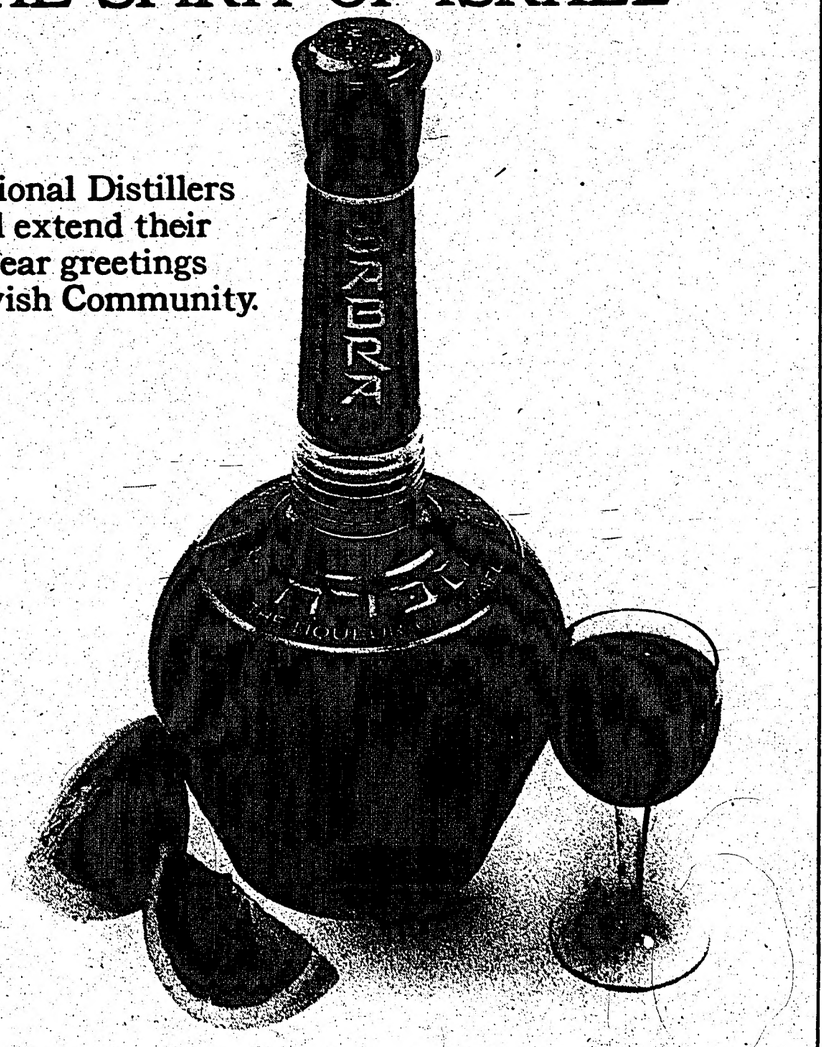

what's new...

by Miriam Herman

Al G. Brown (right) prepares to give Sefer Torah sent by Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, Toronto, as a gift to Midrashiat Noam in Kfar Saba, Israel. With him are Rabbi Emanuel Forman (left), former spiritual leader of Shaarei Shomayim, and Rabbi Aaron Lapidus.

SEPHARDIC SENIOR GROUP

The senior citizens of Toronto's Petah Tikva Anshe Castilla Congregation have formed their own club. (Such clubs are unknown in North Africa). Club de Zekainim, as it is called, meets every Monday and Thursday afternoon at the synagogue. Meetings are conducted in Spanish, French and Arabic, with members planning the year's activities. Program director is Moise Benhaim and co-ordinating the program are Rabbi Mitchell Serels and Moise Buzaglo. Anyone interested is welcome to join.

PIONEER WOMEN TO MEET

Winnipeg will be host to some 500 Pioneer Women delegates from across the country when the national organization holds its tri-ennial convention there Oct. 15, 16, and 17. The theme of the three-day meeting is **Pioneer Women in the Living 70's**. Among those addressing the convention will be Manitoba Premier Edward Schreyer and Chief Justice Samuel Freedman; Dr. Allen Pollock, Jewish Agency executive from New York; Hedva Ish Shalom, Israeli educator; and Sol Kanee, Canadian Jewish Congress president.

STAMP COLLECTORS TAKE NOTE!

The Canadian Association for Israel Philately meeting takes place on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at 8 p.m. at the Jewish Public Library, Glen Park Ave. On the agenda is a slide presentation by Edward Deutsch, principal at Associated Hebrew Schools.

RESPONSE TO MUNICH

We have been advised by one of our readers that the Czechoslovakian Women's Organization in Toronto sent the following cable to Prime Minister Golda Meir in the name of all the members: "We are deeply grieved at the shocking tragedy in Munich and express to you, the families of the athletes, and the people of Israel our sincere sympathy." The group's president, Ruth Petricek, is the daughter of a clergyman in Czechoslovakia and a friend of the family of T. G. Masaryk, the country's first president.

THE STUDENT PRESS

The first issue of the new **Masada** is off the press. A publication of the Jewish Student Federation at York University and the Hillel Foundation at the University of Toronto, it appears the first week of each month throughout the academic year.

STUDIES IN ETHICS

This year's adult education series at Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem in Montreal is directed to new studies in ethics. At the opening convocation on Wednesday, Oct. 11, Dr. Emanuel Rackman, rabbi of Fifth Avenue Synagogue and professor of Jewish studies at City University in New York, will speak on **Jewish Law as a Means to Ethical Ends**. Lectures by Rabbi Elihu Steinhorn will cover **Contemporary Moral Philosophy** on Oct. 25 and Nov. 1, and **Evolutionary Ethics** on Nov. 22 and 29.

ANNUAL TEA

The Sinai Service Group's 18th annual tea is being held on Sunday, Oct. 8, from 1-6 p.m. at the home of their president, Mrs. Benjamin Walker, Vesta Dr. Proceeds are for cancer research.

ISRAELI CLUB

A Tel Aviv club, named Moldovanks after the old Jewish quarter in Odessa, was established by Russian-born artists for immigrant performers to work and train - there were some 250 among recent Soviet arrivals, many of them singers. In addition to providing evening entertainment for the public, the club will be specializing in Jewish-Russian cuisine prepared by the new immigrants.

Appoint Givens, Max Tanenbaum Negev chairmen

TORONTO -

Philip G. Givens and Max Tanenbaum have been named co-dinner chairmen of the 1972 Toronto Negev Dinner, announced Charles A. Kent, president of the Jewish National Fund of Toronto.

Max Tanenbaum

Commented Kent, "much of the success of Negev Dinners in recent years is directly attributable to the qualities of the men who have assumed the all-important role of dinner chairman. We are thrilled and delighted that this year two very colorful and gifted personalities have agreed to take time off from their many other involvements to accept this extremely important responsibility. Neither Phil Givens nor Max Tanenbaum require any formal introduction to this community - both bring to their new role a proven record of performance as talented communal leaders, staunch friends of Israel and very capable organizers."

The 1972 Toronto Negev Dinner - to be held in the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel - will be a triple celebration: It will mark the silver jubilee of the State of Israel, it will observe the 25th anniversary of the Negev Dinner itself and it will confer well-deserved honor upon Joseph Tanenbaum "in recognition of his life-long dedicated efforts on behalf of numerous cultural, humanitarian and philanthropic causes at home and overseas."

The proceeds from the Negev Dinner will be used by the Jewish National Fund to establish a major development project in Israel which will bear the name of the honoree in perpetuity as a tangible expression of esteem.

Bar Mitzvah youth honors pal's memory

By MIRIAM HERMAN

TORONTO -

For Matthew Greenspan, friendship knows no bounds. His closest boyhood chum was Patrick Michael Casserly and earlier this year Patrick was killed while crossing a railway trestle.

Matthew, son of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Greenspan, remembered his friend at the time of great rejoicing in his life. When he celebrated his Bar Mitzvah earlier this month, he purchased a shelf of books at the Jewish National and University Library in Jerusalem in memory of his friend.

Patrick's mother was present at Matthew's Bar Mitzvah service and was presented with a letter and certificate advising her of the tribute to her son. And when the shelf of books has been dedicated, Mrs. Casserly will receive a picture of the inscribed plaque.

Matthew Greenspan

TORONTO JEWRY DEMONSTRATES SOLIDARITY WITH ISRAEL

High Holy Day Appeals Reach Highest Bond Total Ever

More Than $2,608,000 In One Day

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Tens of thousands of worshippers in congregations throughout Toronto answered Israel's call for economic assistance at this critical time by subscribing an unprecedented total of $2,608,900 in State of Israel Bonds at the High Holy Day Appeals conducted in 47 congregations in all three denominations of Judaism. These results reflect not only a significant increase in the **dollar** amount of support pledged by Toronto congregants, but also a greatly increased **number** of men and women who participated in the Yom Kippur Appeals. The figures themselves tell the story - a campaign figure of more than $7-1/4 million achieved thus far this year, with more than three months of intensive campaigning ahead, between now and the end of the year. This achievement places Toronto Jewry once again in the forefront of North American Jewish communities for per capita Israel Bond purchases. Toronto's 1972 target is an unparalleled $18 million in both individual and institutional Israel Bonds, in keeping with the gravity of Israel's position and the economic pressures of mass immigration, integration, expanding industry, and national security.

According to Nathan Arback, Chairman of the Synagogue Division, State of Israel Bonds of Toronto, "a promise to Israel, even on the Holiest of days on our Jewish calendar is meaningful only when it can immediately be put to work to **help** Israel, which was the immediate intention of the purchaser. Delay in forwarding payment on the part of each and every individual who turned down a tab in his or her congregation on Yom Kippur, is breaking faith with the people of Israel, for without the **cash,** Israel cannot proceed with the urgent tasks which are pressing-in upon her."

The Officers of State of Israel Bonds of Toronto express their profound gratitude and appreciation to the Rabbis, Officers, Committees and speakers who participated in the High Holy Day Appeals with such impressive results.

The following listing represents the amounts recorded by worshippers in Toronto congregations raising more than $10,000.

CONGREGATION	AMOUNT	CONGREGATION	AMOUNT
Adath Israel	$133,500	Chevra Shass	14,350
Adath Sholom	25,700	Clanton Park	59,500
Associated Hebrew Schools	31,000	Labour Zionist Alliance	41,050
Beth Am	18,500	Hebrew Men of England	19,300
Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda	162,700	Holy Blossom Temple	230,950
Beth Israel	10,500	Kielcer	10,800
Beth Jacob	66,050	King David	13,000
Beth Lida Forest Hill	32,300	Pride of Israel	60,050
Beth Meyer	11,150	Rabbi Israel Hurwitz	19,050
Beth Radom	20,250	Shaarei Shomayim	178,200
Beth Sholom	328,500	Shaarei Tefillah	47,450
Beth Tikvah	52,800	Shomrai Shaboth	25,300
Beth Torah	22,900	Temple Emanu-El	31,700
Beth Tzedec	606,000	Temple Sinai	66,400
B'nai Israel Beth David	145,700	Torah V'Avodah Vaughan	11,200
B'nai Torah	18,400	Torath Emeth Viewmount	56,400
Borochov Centre	18,400	Yavneh Zion	11,700

The following synagogues in aggregate raised a total of $49,100: Habonim, Kiever, Machzikei B'nai Israel, Mogen David Sephardic, Moriah, Or Hamaarav Sephardic, Shaarei Tzedec, St. Clair Synagogue, Temple Har-Zion, Torath Emeth Burnside.

This total will be increased by the addition of five congregations not yet reported, whose aggregate totals last year reached nearly $100,000.

...about people

Dr. Joseph I. Leventhal

A combination of interests in medicine, art and all things Jewish has resulted in a multi-faceted career for **Dr. Joseph I. Leventhal.** A busy medical practitioner and one-time president of the Toronto branch of the College of General Practice, his drawings and paintings are going to be on exhibit at the C. Gutenberg Gallery on Yonge St. for the next two weeks. His artistic talents date back to his teen years when he studied with Arthur Lismer of the Group of Seven and was given a scholarship to the Ontario College of Art. Those years were also the beginning of his long-time involvement in the Jewish community. And incidentally, his father was compositor for Toronto's first Jewish newspaper, **The Forward.**

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Two Toronto doctors, **J. Murray Weinberg** and **Morris Glassman,** left for Solo, Indonesia, this week where they will be spending the month of October with the CARE medical team stationed there. They will be teaching and working with local Indonesian doctors and those in outlying areas - Dr. Weinberg in the field of general medicine and Dr. Glassman in surgery.

A pioneer on behalf of Yiddish culture and education both in Canada and Israel, **Harry Topper** has been awarded the 1972 Distinguished Citation for Community Service by Herzliah and Jewish Teachers Seminary, the Yiddish-Hebrew teachers college and school for higher Jewish learning in New York.

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Betty Kennedy has been interviewing **Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut** for her Channel 19 **Insight** series. The rabbi's life story, told via pictures from the past and interviews, is the subject of the program to be seen Thursday, Oct. 5, at 8:30 p.m. and again on Sunday, Oct. 8, at 9 p.m.

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Harold Dessen heads up the new advisory committee set up by the central region of Congress to look into the Hebrew - Christian missionary activities in Toronto. A chartered accountant by profession, Mr. Dessen is chairman of the board of education and vice-president of Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto and is also on the board of the Community Hebrew Academy and the Jewish Teachers Seminary.

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Eighteen-year old **Howard Lorne Nixon,** a first year arts student at the University of British Columbia, was the recipient of three scholarships - the province of British Columbia scholarship, the Norman MacKenzie Alumni scholarship and a four-year scholarship from General Motors of Canada, Ltd. Westerners will recognize him as the captain of the Vancouver high school **Reach for the Top** team that placed first in the provincial championship contest. Torontonians will be interested to know that Howard is the son of **Cantor and Mrs. Murray Nixon** of Vancouver, formerly of Toronto and is the grandson of **Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Nissenbaum** and **Mr. Max Yankoo** of Toronto.

Al Gilbert wins photograph awards

WINNIPEG -

Al Gilbert, the award-winning internationally known Toronto photographer, won two awards for his work at the Professional Photographers Association of Canada convention here Monday.

He was awarded two first prizes for bridal and children's portraits. Mrs. Donna Fisherman of Toronto was the subject of the bridal portrait and Mrs. Angelo Delzotto is the child's mother.

This is the third award for bridal portraiture that Gilbert has won. After winning in both 1968 and 1969 he, along with other masters was excluded from competition until a ruling change permitted him to enter this year.

Gilbert, who has won a number of international awards, told **The CJN** last week that he was doubly elated by the awards because the pictures were "everyday work" whereas most entries for photography competitions are specially prepared.

Simchat Torah rally

TORONTO -

A Simchat Torah Rally will take place on Sunday, Oct. 1 at 9:00 p.m. at Nathan Phillips Square and will be preceded by a Torch Light Parade down University Avenue to City Hall starting from Queens Park at 8:45.

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This year the demonstration is to condemn the actions of the Soviet government for raising the exit visas of the academics wishing to leave.

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Stop using refugees as pawns if peace is really Arab goal

Television commentators and newspaper editorial writers, unanimous in their condemnation of the insane depredations of the Arab assassins at Munich, have felt obligated to look deeper and identify the roots of this terrorism.

Percy Saltzman, in his opening program on CTV's morning show, interrupted an interview with Israel Ambassador Theodor Meron to comment:

"It's obvious that the fastest way to end the terrorism is to let the Arab refugees return to their homes."

The Toronto Star, recently stated " . . . the root of this terrorism lies in the homelessness of a million Palestinians from what is now Israel, and consigned to camps in the neighboring Arab lands . . . "

The Globe and Mail quoted Lebanese President Franjieh as saying, "Before considering a curb on violence undertaken by a group of people in a continuous state of despair and provocation, we should tackle the causes of this despair and put an end to the provocation: The editorial continued: " . . . we would be wrong to ignore his claim that 1,500,000 Palestine refugees did not spawn the terrorist organizations without provocation. Their despair is real. They are both victims and perpetrators of the politics of violence."

The effort to avoid superficiality and provide a more thoughtful analysis is commendable but it is apparent that most commentators have seriously missed the point.

In order to perceive the point it would be best to recall that terrorism has been a longstanding weapon in the Arab world and that it did not appear suddenly with the birth of Zionist dream. Assassination, blood feuds and tribal genocide have been the weapons of Mid East diplomacy for 1,000 years.

The Arab history of recent years has been a dismal series of coups, counter-coups, betrayals and acts of retaliation.

Arab irregulars, organized by Syria, were active in Palestine prior to the creation of the State of Israel, and were a force to be reckoned with in the 1948 War of Independence.

When the combined Arab armies were defeated by the infant Jewish state, the Arab states immediately organized the fedayeen, recruited refugees from the camps, and, under the leadership of Egyptian army officers, launched guerrilla activities. The minutes of discussions by representatives of Arab governments leave no doubt that, having failed at conventional warfare, the Arab states – not the refugees – decided on guerrilla warfare as a feasible alternative.

For the Arab states, Israel's mere existence has been defined as "an act of aggression." Even if Israeli forces had been quiescent, even if Israel had chosen not to retaliate for any of the Arab incursions, even if there were no refugees, the Arab states would still have felt that terrorism was necessary and justified.

Following the Six Day War in 1967, there was a proliferation of terrorist groups. Claiming a variety of left ideological positions, terrorist groups sought to maximize their financing by the so-called "revolutionary" Arab states as well as the reactionary oil kingdoms. Co-ordination was provided by the Palestine Liberation Organization led by Al Fatah's Yasser Arafat.

Western correspondents have assumed that the Black September organization is a breakaway group, alienated from the Arab states and the main body of guerrilla groups. The foolishness of this assumption is revealed in the following news item provided by the London Chronicle News Service. Datelined Jerusalem, the item reads:

"Ali Salame, the son of Hassan Saleme, who headed an Arab group which fought the Jews before 1948, has been named by Israeli intelligence as the 'brains' behind the Munich massacre. According to well-informed Israeli sources, Ali Salame was a senior intelligence officer of the Fatah military branch of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"Following a number of missions to Europe, he was appointed commander of the Black September group which claimed responsibility for the Sabena highjacking and the murder of Walsi Tal, Jordan's Prime Minister."

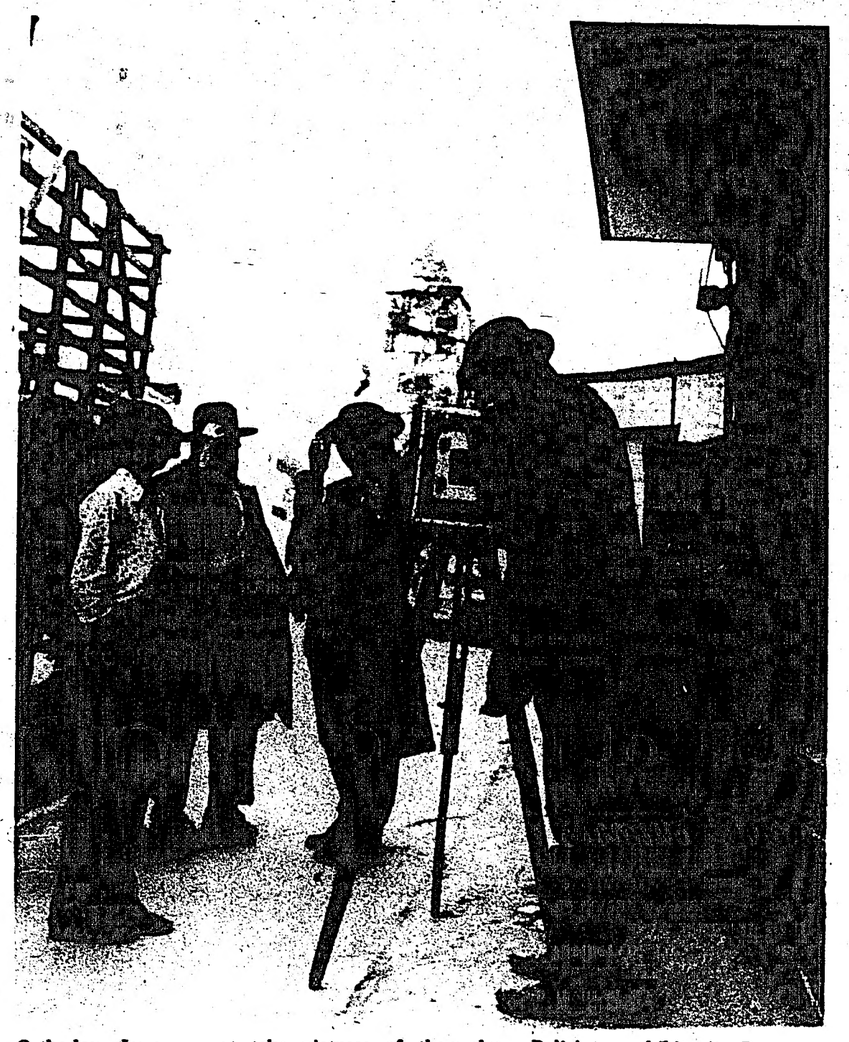
Not despair, but Arab governments exploiting despair, created the Fatah and financed it. The Fatah in turn created the Black September movement to undertake assassinations within the Arab world and shocking crimes elsewhere.

Fatah appointed the commander and financed September's activities. At the same time, the Fatah concealing its connection, sought to avoid the moral revulsion which acts such as the Munich butchery were bound to arouse.

Terrorism can be ended. A better life can be provided for the Arab refugees. Both depend on the desire of the Arab states. The Arab countries can stop using the refugees as pawns and the Black September movement as an instrument.

If Arab countries offered no sanctuary, no funds, and no moral support to terrorists, their activities would cease.

Israel's forays into Lebanon are probably not too effective. They do carry the constant danger that innocent civilians will also be caught in the crossfire. But the moral alternative lies with the Arab states. They can prevent the bloodshed by ending terrorism.



Orthodox Jews cannot take pictures of themselves. Religion prohibits it. But you have to have a passport or identification card. So Jerusalem photographer prospers.

Morocco strongman's death causes Jews great concern

By ARTHUR GARMAISE

(From our Tel Aviv Bureau)

The death of an Arab "strongman" is not usually a cause of great concern to Jews in the Middle East; they are used to seeing one type of despot replaced by another, equally unfriendly, in the mercurial politics of the region.

The death of General Muchmad Ofakir of Morocco, however, falls into a different category. The 52-year-old general with the cruel lips and dark glasses was, despite his acknowledged ruthlessness to those he considered enemies, unusually kind and friendly to Morocco's Jews. His power was close to absolute and those to whom he extended protection in his lifetime were not seriously threatened by his enemies. The 30,000 Jews of Morocco were so protected. His enemies, whether through powers exercised as minister of police, minister of the interior, or minister of defence, have been languishing in prison or have been disposed of by execution, official or otherwise. Almost all, that is. There remains a hard core of those in bitter opposition to everything that he was and stood for, and it now seems likely that these will come into power.

The abortive plot against King Hussein II of Morocco has been followed by the death of the general. The official explanation is that it was "suicide". The general, who was officially responsible for the health, safety and welfare of his monarch had failed in extending the necessary protection – and the only honorable expiation was suicide. This is the official account. **Le Nouvel Observateur** however, reports that four bullets were found in the corpse. That they were all self-inflicted is quite incredible. The more plausible explanation is that the general knew of, and was guilty of complicity in, the plot. There was very little that was planned or executed in Morocco without his knowledge and approval.

It may be, of course, that the plot itself was concocted, simply as a means of getting at him through his inferred connection with it. In that case, the power of the opposition is not merely latent, but actual. If that opposition means to overturn all of his policies, including his encouragement of Jewish businessmen and investors whom he regarded as sparkplugs of the Moroccan economy, then the Jewish community of Morocco is headed for trouble. They were flattered and encouraged by his visits to synagogues in Rabat and Casablanca; there will be other, not so welcome, visits in the future by an opposition in power.

During Ofakir's lifetime, the 42-year-old King Hussein favored his policies including protection and encouragement of the Jews of Morocco. Whether he will wish to, or be capable of, diverting any planned anti-Semitic policies of an actual or emerging opposition in power remains an open question.

ask the rabbi

Book is read to get feeling of some reality

1. Why is the Book of Ecclesiastes read during Succoth?

RESPONSE:

The Book of Ecclesiastes is read on the Succoth holiday, according to some, so as to temper the happy feeling of the farmer who just harvested his crops with a sombre feeling of reality. The Succoth festival is one which leads to great merriment, especially in olden times when the crops were all harvested and the concern over possible crop failure was dissipated. The Book of Ecclesiastes which speaks of many things in life as being a matter of vanity, makes one realize that material gain is not always the greatest blessing. Some claim that this book is read because of the identity of its author, King Solomon. It was the practice of the King to assemble the people on the Succoth Festival to hear the words of the Torah in a special ceremony called "Hakhel" which means "assembly" and comes from the same root as the word "Koheleth" which is the name in Hebrew for the Book of Ecclesiastes. King Solomon is said to have been referred to by this name because he held such "assemblies".

2. Why is it that Hoshanah Rabah never occurs on Saturday?

RESPONSE:

The rabbis, in the process of arranging the calendars used by the Jewish people, worked it out so that Hoshana Rabbah is the occasion on which the willow twigs are beaten. This was a matter of paramount importance for the observance of the day. Such an activity could never take place on the Sabbath since it would be forbidden to do this on the Sabbath. As a consequence of this arrangement Rosh Hashanah can never fall on a Sunday (i.e. the first day of Rosh Hashanah).

3. Is it permitted for the Law to be read from an ordinary chumash during a service at which no one present is able to read from a sefer Torah or in the event of a sefer Torah not being accessible?

RESPONSE:

The practice is to read the Torah from an ordinary chumash where there is no Sefer Torah "in order that the reading of the Torah should not be forgotten". When this is done, however, the benedictions are not recited. Where there is a Sefer Torah but no one present can read from the text without pointing and notation, the practice is for someone to read out of a chumash and for someone else to repeat after him while reading from the Sefer Torah. In this case the benedictions should be recited.

Nixon's Moscow visit did little to help Russian Jews emigrate

There is a growing feeling among many Jewish leaders on this continent and abroad that President Nixon's reported intervention on behalf of Soviet Jewry at the time of his visit to Moscow, was far from successful. In fact, what has happened since his talk at the Kremlin indicates that the USSR showed complete disregard for the U.S. position.

Washington officials insist that President Nixon made clear to the Soviet leaders the deep concern of the U.S. government over the plight of Russian Jews denied the right to emigrate. And Dr. Henry Kissinger, the president's advisor, says the new Soviet exit charges levied against Jewish intellectuals was discussed "in a number of ways" when he met Communist party chief Leonid Brezhnev and Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko in Moscow.

Instead of some degree of relaxation, as one might reasonably expect after one great power intercedes with another great power, there has been a most noticeable hardening of the Russian policy with respect to Jewish intellectuals and others who wish to emigrate. Arrests of Russian Jews have increased, many have been committed to insane asylums, others have lost their jobs and been forced to take menial work, and the infamous head tax appears to be a permanent policy.

Granted that it is difficult for one nation to involve itself in the internal affairs of another, we still find it most disturbing that whatever President Nixon said in Moscow was not only totally disregarded, as it appears, but was quickly followed by a stepped-up campaign of persecution.

In this particular area, at least, there is no sign of the much-discussed thaw that is supposed to be featuring relations between the two superpowers. More like a freeze-up.

This apparent top-level failure to move the Russians from their present position highlights the necessity of Diaspora Jews continuing their campaigns to marshal world opinion against this reprehensible policy of harassment of Russian Jewry. There must be no letup in the work of those organizations committed to the goal of getting Jews out of Russia.

The U.S. Congress will have an opportunity to exert pressure on the Soviet Union when the American-Soviet trade treaty comes before that body for ratification. Approval of the treaty would open the door to a tremendous increase in Russian exports to the United States, and the Soviet Union wants the treaty ratified even more than the United States. Delay in Congress approval after a debate in which the Soviet Union was criticized for curtailing human rights, would quickly cause the Russians to reconsider their persecution policy. The Russians are hard-headed realists who won't permit the Jewish problem to interfere with international trade.

It is interesting to note that the United Nations continues to lose ground in the credibility area. The newly elected Polish president of the 27th General Assembly says the plight of Soviet Jews is an internal affair outside the jurisdiction of the world body. Almost in the same breath he says apartheid in South Africa is an entirely different matter and presumably should be investigated by the UN. Apartheid, says the new president, is a matter of human rights. The persecution of Jews, their imprisonment on false charges, and the refusal of the authorities to allow them to emigrate unless a heavy exit fee is paid, does not come under the head of curtailment of human rights, in the view of the General Assembly president, Stanislaw Trepczynski. In our view it is a distinction without a difference. If apartheid is cruel, inhuman and completely without moral justification – as we say it is – then so is the Soviet treatment of its Jewish citizens.

Despite growing protests

PLO still planning London branch

LONDON (JCNS) –

Although frustrated by the refusal of prospective landlords to rent their premises to the Palestine Liberation Organization, its representative in London, Said Hammami, still intends to open a branch office in Britain.

Reports that the plan to establish a PLO office in London has been abandoned, following the impact of the Munich massacre on British public opinion, are incorrect. On the other hand, the Labor Leader, Harold Wilson, was somewhat off target in calling on the government last week "to take steps, including the introduction of legislation if that is necessary, to close the PLO office in London until the sponsors of the organization dissociate themselves from the Munich outrage and take active measures against terrorist groups."

Apart from the fact that the PLO itself is a terrorist organization, Wilson was premature in assuming that an independent PLO office already existed in London. As the Foreign Secretary, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, pointed out in his reply to Wilson, "there is no such office and we will certainly not allow anyone into the country whom we believe to be implicated in terrorism."

This, and the Home Secretary's assurance that he will not hesitate to use his powers against any member of the would-be PLO office engaging in illegal activity, is the extent of the concessions which the government has been prepared to make in the face of highly critical public opinion. Whitehall still believes that under existing law there is nothing the government can do to prevent the PLO from setting up an office in London.

But Sir Alec ignored Wilson's demand for legislation to enable the government to do just that.

Such demands, however, come not only from the opposition but also from Conservative back-benchers. T. L. Iremonger, MP for Ilford North, said this week that he intended to ask leave to present a bill giving the government discretion in the licensing of premises for such organizations as the PLO.

Despite the absence of official objections, the PLO office is unlikely to be opened here for some time – for quite other reasons. Hammami, who still operates from the London office of the Arab League, has failed to come to terms with the officials of the oil-rich sheikdom of Abu Dhabi about sharing their plush offices in Bond Street. He has also publicly complained that landlords are extremely reluctant to have the PLO as their tenants.

The Munich outrage, committed by an affiliate of the PLO, has made the task of finding premises in the West End – Hammami's original desire – even more difficult. So, too, have reports that Hammami has been threatened by "Jewish fanatics" after stating last week that he could not condemn any Palestinian driven to terrorism by desperation.

Hammami, who has been given police protection, told British journalists that he had not abandoned the plan to open an office here.

Israel hospital only one to use laser ray machine for operations

TEL AVIV –

Beilinson Hospital in Petach Tikvah, near Tel Aviv, is the only hospital in the world to use a laser ray apparatus for operations instead of a scalpel. This was revealed by Professor Itzchak Kaplan, head of the Plastic Surgery and Burns Department, at a press conference held at the hospital. He said that four laser ray apparati were in use in the United States but only for animal surgery.

Professor Kaplan said that 331 operations had already been carried out in Beilinson, with the consent of the patients, using the new instrument. The operations were on different parts of the body including the tongue and the scalp. The laser rays proved effective because they cut the skin and organs with hardly any bleeding. Thus the patient did not need blood transfusion as in operations using a scalpel.

The laser rays, unlike present surgical tools, seal the blood and lymphatic vessels as they cut. Thus the new instrument will be able to cut out malignant growths in such a manner as to prevent the malignant cells from entering blood vessels. This will be an important step forward in developing cures for cancer.

Professor Kaplan said that in the future laser rays would fill a major place in all surgical operations even the most complicated ones.

Algeria keeps Frenchmen in concentration camps

By ROYSTON ALLEN
(From our Tel Aviv Bureau)

TEL AVIV –
Over 1,000 French men, women and children – primarily Jews and Christians – are in concentration camps and brothels in Arab Algeria. They are the sole remnant of the 9,000 non-Arabs kidnapped in early 1962, when Algeria was in a state of flux due to the changeover from colonial French rule to the Arab Algerian regime. The remaining 8,000 were executed and buried in mass graves.

Captain Marc LeClair, a former director-general of the France defence ministry and a one-time member of the OAS secret French army organization that opposed France's withdrawal from Algeria, made these facts known during a visit to Israel last month. He was here on behalf of the Paris-based Association for the Rescue of Missing Families and Children, which has compiled evidence disproving the validity of death certificates issued for the concentration camp internees by the Algerian and French governments.

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LeClair, a soft-spoken well-dressed man in his early fifties, accused the French government of having closed its files and ignored the problem "to ensure continued supplies of oil to Metropolitan France and to keep good relations with Algeria."

The kidnappings were carried out by agents of the ultra-nationalist National Liberation Front (known as the FLN) of Algeria, according to ARMFC files. "Many of the girls who disappeared at that time were between 10 and 14 years old," said LeClair. "They vanished into Algerian houses of prostitution, mainly used by the Algerian army, and were never heard of again."

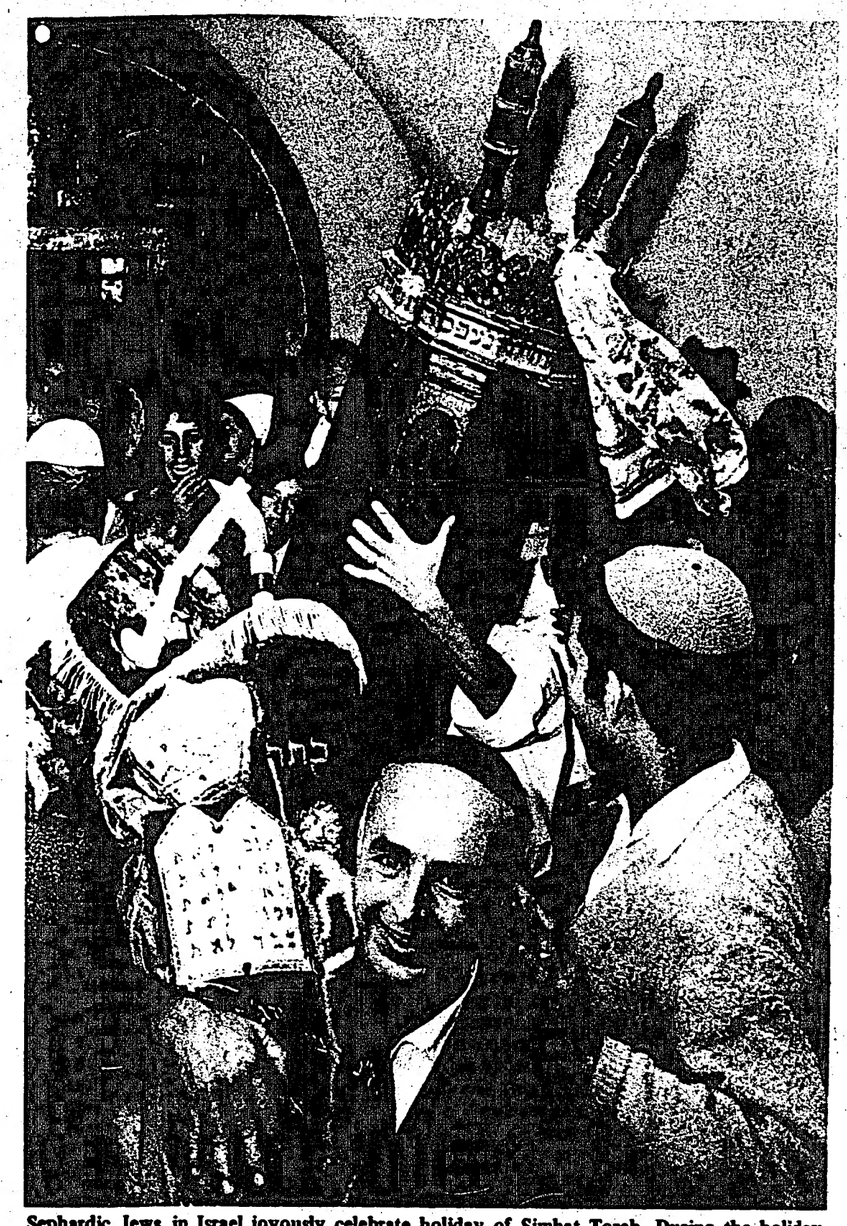
The prisoners are also used as slave labor, "living in sub-human conditions in mobile concentration camps, moved wherever manpower is needed," LeClair said.

In 1963, when Algeria was saying that not a single Frenchman remained in its custody, according to LeClair, 100 men and a dozen women were discovered in a concentration camp near Orleansville, about 100 miles west of Algiers. Another large group of male slaves was spotted near Millianne in Southern Algeria.

Death reports have been investigated and burial sites checked by ARMFC agents, Swiss, Germans and former French Algerians, very often at great personal risk. LeClair carries detailed lists with the names of over 4,000 missing persons, giving the dates and places where they were last seen.

Last November the ARMFC succeeded in getting a Paris district court to invalidate 13 death certificates and reclassify the persons as "missing".

These disclosures have not been made public before, since some court verification was needed. LeClair apparently decided to release the facts in Israel – where the political climate is favorable – while seeking the aid of the Israeli government and prominent Israelis of North African origin.


Sephardic Jews in Israel joyously celebrate holiday of Simhat Torah. During the holiday all Sephardim who desire to participate are sprinkled with rose-water or orange-flower water.

How Sephardim celebrate the happy Sukkot festival

By RABBI M. MITCHELL SERELS

With the passing of the High Holy Days, the Sephardic Jew turns to the festival of Sukkot, the holiday of the booths. In Kurdistan, one sukkah is built for several families. Elsewhere, each family builds their own sukkah. In Bukhara, it is elaborately decorated with tapestries and paper garlands. The ground is covered with a thick carpet.

A special Kishey Eliyahu, chair of the Prophet Eliyahu, is placed in a corner and decorated with silks. Sacred books are placed on the chair as they wait for the visit of the Prophet Elijah. The Moroccan Jews also have a Chair of the Prophet Elijah, even though they lived nearly 2,000 miles from Bukhara. The Dutch Sephardim decorate their sukkah with streamers of strung cranberries.

Rabbi M. M. Serels

In Tunisia, the sukkah walls are made of Palm branches and the entrance is an arch of myrtle. The entrance is specifically built low so as to force whoever enters to bow slightly. In Yemen, an ox is slaughtered to provide meat for the entire week. The Jews of Greece decorate their sukkah with flowers.

The etrog and lulab provide an excellent opportunity for the various communities to show their differences as well as similarities. All communities carry the same four vegetations – palm, willow, myrtle, and eltrog. In Iraq, the poor wake early in the morning to visit the house of the rich to say the benediction. The rich, despite the early hour, welcome the poor. In Persia, the Jews remove their shoes while saying the blessing in the sukkah. In Greece, the lulab and etrog were carried through the streets, even to the homes of friends. In many communities, only the wealthy could afford the four vegetations.

Hoshana Rabba, the day of the Great Hoshana, is marked as the last opportunity for repentance. In Bukhara, the Jews do not leave their homes on Hoshana Rabba. This custom is based on the Zohar, the mystical Jewish literature, which intimates that anyone who sees his shadow on Hoshana Rabba will meet tragedy.

In Tunisia, the men tap each other with the branches of willow, wishing everyone a better year. In Libya, the Jews eat liver and lung of the lamb as a special meal. In Yemen, on Hoshana Rabba, the shofar is sounded between each encirclement of the synagogue. The shofar is reminiscent of the sounding on Kippur, the day of repentance.

Simhat Torah is always a day of rejoicing. All Sephardim are sprinkled with rose-water or orange-flower water (azahar). In Persia, Simhat Torah celebrating is held every night of Sukkot. In Bukhara, the Torah is covered with seven veils. Congregants bid for the honor of removing each of the veils. In Syria, the Torah is covered with a single, white silk veil. In Tunisia, the Torah is removed from the ark and not returned until the month of Heshvan, a period of some two weeks.

The Iraqui Jew carried his first born son, less than Bar Mitzvah on his shoulders during the procession. Persian Jews throw nuts and sweets at the groom of the Torah and the groom of Genesis, much as they would at a bridgegroom. In the customs of the Dutch Sephardim the procession of Simhat Torah is very solemn, lacking merriment. However, the Greek Sephardim out-do all others. They tie the groom of Genesis to a chair and carry him around the synagogue. In each corner, he is tossed high to the laughter of all.

Kibbutzim

Who's going to take care of the farm?

By NECHEMIA MEYERS
(From our Israel Bureau)

TEL AVIV –
Over 1,200 kibbutzniks will be studying this year at Israeli institutions of higher learning, some of them under professors who are themselves kittutzniks. This is a far cry from the early days of the kibbutz movement, when the university was regarded as the antithesis of the agricultural settlement. One could be either a pioneer or a professor; there was no room for compromise.

An antipathy to "book learning" was characteristic of the men and women who established Israel's first kibbutzim, and in so doing rejected the values of bourgeois Jewish society. The long-haired, ragged hippies of their era, they chose to sing about love and till the soil rather than study medicine or work in papa's clothing store.

But unlike the members of today's hippie communes, or the Utopian Socialists who created Brook Farm and New Harmony in the 19th century, they have always shown a healthy respect for reality, and a willingness to modify their attitudes in the interests of survival.

Thus when kibbutz members, and particularly kibbutz children, began to demand a university education, the settlements gave in, knowing that the alternative was to lose the would-be students. At first the kibbutzim insisted that their members study some obviously useful subject; now the choice is pretty much left to the individual. So in addition to the hundreds of kibbutzniks studying agriculture at the Hebrew University or agricultural engineering at the Technion, there are many others at Bar-Ilan learning Talmud or at Tel Aviv University delving into archeology, sociology and theatre arts. Indeed, most kibbutz leaders now believe, as one of them recently put it, that "new knowledge bolsters the resources of a settlement no less than new tractors."

The kibbutzniks are above-average students. Since most of them came to the lecture hall after years of work in the fields, they tend to be more serious than their younger classmates. Moreover, they are not distracted by the need to support themselves or their families. As a result, many earn a B.A. or a B.S. in two years time.

A kibbutznik with a degree has no economic advantages over his fellow member without one, but his new knowledge may allow him to take on a more interesting job. This happened to 40-year-old, Canadian-born Dani Kerman of Urim, a well-established Negev settlement. After a decade of working in the kibbutz orchards, he was sent to study economics at the Hebrew University. Now he heads the Association of Kibbutz Industries, which last year produced IL750m. ($175m.) worth of goods, and incidently, provided attractive vocational opportunities for many university-educated kibbutzniks.

This trend towards industrialization solves some old problems, but also creates some new ones. If more and more kibbutz members want university-level jobs, who is going to take care of the farm? Somebody will still have to feed the chickens and plow the fields. As it is, a number of kibbutzim have sold their herds, despite a national shortage of milk, because not enough members can be found to work with the cows.

Some kibbutz thinkers, ever ready for a change, say it makes no difference whether settlements produce eggs or electronic computers, so long as they maintain their egalitarian principles. Other observers take a darker view of the situation. As one kibbutz veteran recently wrote: "If our young people refuse to do jobs requiring physical labor, which then must be turned over to non-Jews, the whole basis for Israeli sovereignty will be undermined."

Letters to the editor

Observer editor does not permit his readers to see the other side

Dear Editor:

Irving Marcus' letter (CJN, Sept. 15) exhibited an embarrassing lack of understanding and naivete with respect to your editorial on Dr. A. C. Forrest and the **United Church Observer**.

Insofar as the plight of the Palestinian refugees is concerned, Dr. Forrest has a right to express his views, but surely as a fair-minded editor he must feel that his readers are entitled to see something of the other side. Dr. Forrest claims thorough investigation the refugee situation and extensive writings on the subject, but admits that he has never investigated the plight of Jewish refugees from Arab or other countries, nor written any series on their conditions. Why a one-sided picture? Should the plight of human beings everywhere not concern Dr. Forrest?

Mr. Marcus' sarcastic observation, "At the present time there are pending lawsuits between Jewish groups who undoubtedly conferred with God before becoming our spokesmen, and the Reverend Forrest", may be a reference to the suit commenced by B'nai B'rith in the Supreme Court of Ontario accusing the United Church Council, the **United Church Observer** and A. C. Forrest of libel for publishing an article which claims that B'nai B'rith is a Zionist organization, an arm of Israeli intelligence which manipulates news by harrassment, emotional and economic blackmail to silence those it opposes. The article goes far beyond what is considered "fair comment", but is cloaked with the mantle of respectability because it appears in an official church publication.

This type of thing encourages and gives comfort to anti-Semites. For example, **The Thunderbolt**, published in Georgia, U.S.A. has a list of books it promotes, such as: **The Protocols of Zion** – advertised as: "original minutes of the Jews' plan for world domination"; **Behind Communism** – advertised as: "revealing Jew control of Communist movement"; **Know Your Enemy** – advertised as: "How Zionism and Communism are but Jewish tools for world conquest." **The Jews and their Lies, Jewish Ritual Murder, The Original Mr. Jew**, etc., etc., and prominently displayed with them is **The Unholy Land** – advertised as "Banned by the ADL from all bookstores. A. C. Forrest's book detailing the persecution of the Arabs in Palestine, Documented, Illustrated".

Perhaps Mr. Marcus might keep a more open mind regarding Dr. Forrest if he had a broader knowledge and understanding of the facts.

E. James Cooper
Toronto

Dear Editor:

In his disgusting tirade against the editors of **The CJN**, Irving Marcus, (Sept. 15) proclaims himself as a new found ally of Rev. A. C. Forrest in his war of words against Israel under the guise of showing sympathy for the "Arab refugees". I for one find the editorials against Rev. Forrest far too mild. The entire Jewish community will continue to "lock horns" with Rev. Forrest over his one sided anti-Israel view, except of course such stalwarts as Irving Marcus.

H. Aiken
Sgt. Ret. RCAF 1940-72
Downsview

Dear Editor:

Thanks to your theatre reviewer I was reminded to get to Stratford again. My husband and I went to see **La Guerre, Yes Sir**, and enjoyed the production and the conversation it stimulated.

As an added note, we took our ideas about the play back to the review and reread it. It was not only because it expressed some of our own thoughts succinctly that we felt it to be intelligent, well-written, and thoughtful. We look forward to more of Mr. Michael's column in the future.

Mrs. I. Goodman
Willowdale

No surrender to ransom blackmail, says world Jewry

By J. B. SALSBERG

Two months have passed since Jews around the world and people of good will everywhere first received the shocking news that the Kremlin had decided to hold certain categories of Russian Jews as hostages until staggering amounts of ransom will have been paid for their freedom.

An exhorbitant fee of $1,000 per exit visa applies, for more than a year now, to all Russian Jews who wish to emigrate and join their kin in Israel or elsewhere. The August 3 Kremlin decree established, in addition, a graduated "education tax" that rises to as high as $36,000 per person on Jews with higher education who wish to leave and whose exit permits have, otherwise, been approved.

Jews and non-Jews correctly branded this decree as a revival of the piratical practice of the Middle Ages. Furthermore, knowing that the Jewish hostages in Russia cannot possibly meet the enormous ransoms demanded, the Kremlin decree is obviously intended to serve as a blackmail weapon over Israel and world Jewry.

The universal reply to this infamous decree was an instantaneous rejection, protest and appeal for nullification. Non-Jewish newspapers, academicians, politicians, writers and artists – including even a few heroic personalities in the Soviet Union – expressed their dismay and concern.

Jewish world-wide reaction was one of pain and anger. Above all, it was an almost total resolution not to bow to blackmail but to enlist massive support for the humane and internationally guaranteed rights of Jews and others, whether academics or just "plain people", to be repatriated and to join their families and peoples.

This, essentially, is the position of the spokesmen for the Soviet Jewish vanguard with whom the world Jewish leadership is in constant touch. Soviet Jews protest the ransom tax and some of them have been arrested and jailed for protesting.

This is the position of the Knesset, of practically all Israeli political parties and of the people of Israel.

If ever there was a unified Jewish position on a single issue it would seem to be here. And yet some confusion seems to have developed around this issue in Toronto due to a contrary opinion held by one rabbi in the community. No one questions the right of any individual, be he prominent or not, to hold and to give expression to minority opinion on any subject that is of public or communal concern. But it is, nevertheless, regrettable in this instance since it may hinder the maximum alignment of all energies for the task that is, in the opinion of almost all, to be vital at this stage of the struggle of the Jews in Russia.

Pidyon Shevuyim – the ransoming of Jews who are held as captives or who are denied their freedom under false pretences – is an almost sacred obligation which Jews have assumed throughout the ages. But each case has to be judged specifically and not abstractly. An extreme, but very illuminating, example is that of the historic case of Rabbi Meir of Rothenburg (1215-93), the chief religious authority of Ashkenazic Jewry of that period. When Emperor Rudolph of Austria incarcerated the venerable rabbi and held him for high ransom, Rabbi Meir forbade his community to ransom him so as not to establish a precedent for the blackmailing of other Jews.

What individuals or families may do when the health of one of their flesh and blood is endangered is a private decision which such individuals may make. But for our entire Jewish world community to surrender to the undemocratic, uncivilized wholesale, ransom blackmail would be an actual disservice to Soviet Jewry. More, such a capitulation would open the doors to escalating both the areas and the amounts of ransom demands.

Where the ransom trail leads was revealed only a week ago in Israel. Hayim Miratchnik, 61 years of age and formerly of Riga, who just arrived in Israel related that when he applied for his exit visa that had already been approved he was informed that he must pay 11,000 rubles ($12,500) "compensation" to the Soviet state because he was unwell for the 15 years of his imprisonment, and was, therefore, unable to work and the amount asked was to cover the cost of feeding him while in prison. . . .

What next? Yes, and where will the next ransom demand come from? The unanimous position of world Jewry on the question of ransom is unquestionably correct and should serve us all as our guide for immediate action.

UIA women show leadership in campaign

The tremendously successful debut of women's divisions throughout the province has made 1972 an especially exciting year for Toronto's Mirial Small, chairman of the Ontario UIA Women's Division.

Mrs. Small assumed leadership after the women's session at last October's seminar unanimously accepted the decision to form a women's campaign.

She was largely responsible for the establishment of women's campaigns in several communities including Kitchener, Kingston and Niagara Falls – a move that by fully utilizing the resources of the communities, added "plus dollars" to the Ontario campaign.

Mirial Small

"Men can digest sums of money that go into the millions. Women don't relate in the same way, but they do relate to the $25,000 it takes to absorb a family of three," she said.

Congratulations are in order for the women's division of Kitchener-Waterloo, who surpassed their campaign goal in their first year of operation. Pictured at left is a meeting at the home of Campaign Chairman Sidney Bergstein, convened by Ruth Joseph and Charlotte Levine, who chaired the women's division. Mirial Small (standing) addressed those present. Above, Mrs. Joseph and Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut accept campaign donations.

Members of the Executive and Planning Committee at work on the Ontario campaign.

Lillian Ennis

Libby Dwor

Beverley Blackstein

Another "first" for the Ontario UIA was the successful introduction of a women's campaign in the Niagara Peninsula. Chairman Sheila Newman reports that a spirit of unity and co-operation prevailed throughout the fund drive in which each Niagara community had its own commjttee.

Noreen Fenig (left) chats with Sheila Newman at right.

Anne Granek

Shoshana Cole, Cecily Peters and Mirial Small of Toronto as well as representatives from all parts of the Niagara Peninsula attended a Planning Committee meeting called by Mrs. Newman at the St. Catharines home of Anne Granek.

Mrs. Newman was host to more than 100 women from the area for opening luncheon at the Oban Inn, Niagara-on-the-Lake, where they heard an address by well-known author Robert St. John who was guest speaker.

Ontario UIA chairmen from 25 communities plan to attend special citation luncheon

United Israel Appeal leaders from 25 Ontario communities will gather Sunday, October 15 to hold their first campaign evaluation meeting at a special citation luncheon.

While attending the luncheon at the Oakdale Golf and Country Club, the chairmen will also examine the performance of Ontario 1972 campaigns and discuss how improvements could be made.

Two of the committee's key workers have been Joseph Lunenfeld, the committee's chairman and Mirial Small, the energetic Toronto housewife who established women's division campaigns for "plus giving" in a number of communities.

Mr. Lunenfeld, along with UIA Executive Director Yehuda Noy, has travelled thousands of miles in the past year co-ordinating the efforts of the different communities for fund-raising in Ontario.

He said the Executive and Planning committees have also met a number of times to hear reports on the progress of community campaigns but have come up against a formidable opponent: distance.

"The creation of an executive committee was fostered by the desire to unite all of the Ontario communities to work in the best interests of Israel. In order to achieve this, each one of us must be prepared to make sacrifices in time and distance," said Mr. Lunenfeld.

Despite time and distance problems, the overall success of the Ontario campaign was gratifying as UIA Ontario Chairman Nathan Silver pointed out recently when he said: "Funds for Israel have been raised more effectively in 1972 than in previous years, strengthened by fuller co-operation between the communities and the Ontario Planning and Executive Board."

Joe Lunenfeld

Yehuda Noy

Tom Wolf

TV personality Johnny Wayne looks over plans for "Israel's 25th Anniversary Luncheon" which he will participate in Sunday Oct. 15 at the Oakdale Golf and Country Club. The Ontario United Israel Appeal is sponsoring the event. From left is Shoshana Cole, publicity chairman; Mirial Small, chairman of UIA's Ontario Women's Division; Cecily Peters, arrangements chairman and Madeline Epstein, program chairman for the luncheon.

Luncheon to feature special narration

A special narration by well-known television comedian Johnny Wayne will highlight Israel's 25th Anniversary Citation Luncheon, sponsored by the United Israel Appeal of Ontario.

Tom Wolf of London, the event's chairman, says UIA leaders from Ontario's 25 Jewish communities will be present at the luncheon to be held Sunday, Oct. 15 at Toronto's Oakdale Golf and Country Club.

According to Publicity Chairman Shoshana Cole, the luncheon will culminate the year's campaigning for the UIA in Ontario by honoring the community chairmen – some from as far away as Kirkland Lake and Timmins – for their leadership.

Cecily Peters, chairman of arrangements for the day, says each of the community chairmen will be presented with citations rewarding them for their community work. Special awards will also be presented to some special workers in recognition of their outstanding achievements during the 1972 campaign.

Luncheon Program Chairman Madeline Epstein announced that participants will have the opportunity to greet Shmuel Ovnat the newly appointed Consul-General of Israel to Toronto and S. J. Kreutner, director general of Keren Hayesod.

Harriet Whiteman, chairman of Windsor's Women's division for 1973, has many plans for the coming year. One of her hopes is to conduct educational meetings within the framework of the city's Jewish women's organizations.

The London community, which initiated their first women's division campaign in 1971, surpassed that achievement by 100%. With Rose Rabin (pictured at right) and Nettie Shankman as chairmen, the ladies of London held a UJA Day and a Sunday telethon and completed the campaign within the week of the community's blitz.

Planning Committee Chairman Joe Lunenfeld (left) and Ontario UIA Chairman Nathan Silver stop for gas enroute to one of the many campaign centres they visited during the province-wide campaign.

Ray and Joan Kizell had their own separate campaigns to lead in Kingston. And many believe the family spirit created by Ray leading the overall UIA campaign and Joan heading the newly-formed women's division was largely responsible for Kingston's fund-raising success. With the help of Mrs. Marion Marks and an enthusiastic committee, Joan spearheaded her campaign with a special tea at her home attended by Mirial Small, chairman of women's divisions for Ontario.

Rookie Goldstein

Bailie Waxman

Under the chairmanship of Rookie Goldstein and Bailie Waxman, the Hamilton women's campaign conducted a Top Gifts meeting which resulted in a 35% increase over the previous year. A capacity audience also turned out at Hamilton's Women's Division UJA Day to hear an attractive Soviet dentist Dr. Julia Libman, tell of her experiences in the struggle of Soviet Jewry.

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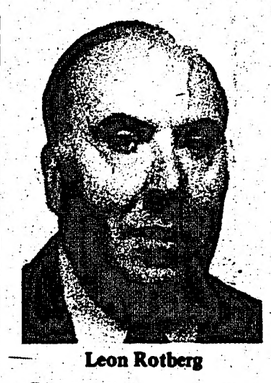
United Israel Appeal campaigns in action

Nathan Silver

NATHAN SILVER, Ontario Region Chairman of the United Israel Appeal, expressed his satisfaction with the activities and results of the 1972 campaigns held in the region since the first Ontario Leadership Seminar last year. "Appreciation and thanks are due to all campaign chairmen and their executive committees who devoted themselves to assure maximum efforts and results. Heartfelt gratitude is also due to all those who helped contribute toward the success of the United Israel Appeal in Ontario – the Executive and Planning Committee; our Executive Director, Yehuda Noy; and especially the wonderful cooperation which we received from our guest speakers. I hope that the coming year will see even greater strength and success in our fund raising endeavours."

With a few well chosen words, Hamilton's most popular radio announcer Paul "Mayor of the Morning" Hanover put his community into the limelight. Here Paul (left) discusses the campaign's progress with Henry Katz, chairman of the lawyer's division. With able leadership and enthusiastic support from groups such as the Young Executive Division (above) Hamilton remitted the largest percentage of funds in Ontario (excluding Toronto).



Leon Rotberg

Murray Rothberg

Brantford's campaign Chairman Leon Rotberg, an industrialist who has been involved with a number of Israel's causes for some time, succeeded former chairman Murray Rothberg, who is now a member of the Campaign Executive Committee.

Samuel Lerner

Dr. Paul Max

After taking part in a study mission to Israel last year, Samuel Lerner, Q.C., assumed the leadership of London's blitz campaign, with the assistance of Co-chairman Dr. Paul Max, chief of psychiatry at Victoria Hospital and Marvin Shore, chairman of the London Board of Education and a past campaign chairman. Prominent international businessman Murray Koffler made a special trip to London to aid them in their drive which resulted in the highest increase in giving over and above the 1967 emergency campaign.

Marvin Shore

Murray Koffler

Larry Blake, Welland's campaign chairman, received the able assistance of Dr. H. O. Singer (right), treasurer of the community's campaign.

Kingston's campaign chairman Ray Kizell and his wife Joan, head of the women's division, injected the campaign there with a family spirit and held the opening event of the campaign in their own home. With the help of enthusiastic workers such as Mort Abramsky, (left) a past campaign chairman and Harry Rosen (right) the city managed to provide the second largest percentage increase in campaign giving.

Ray Kizell

Sidney Bergstein

Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut

Harry Bierstock

Young lawyer Sidney Bergstein led a highly successful blitz campaign in Kitchener, a highlight of which was a well attended campaign evening dinner at which Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut of Toronto spoke. During that evening tribute was paid to Harry Bierstock for his service as Kitchener's UIA chairman for the previous three years in which he substantially increased the number of Kitchener's contributors.

After enthusiastically participating in a UJA study mission to Israel, prominent young architect and builder Mel Wolfond undertook the chairmanship of the Guelph campaign with exceptional results. Hosting the campaign night in his own home, he led Guelph to a 50% increase in giving over the previous year, making it the leader among the communities.

Saul Podnick, an avid horseman who has chaired the Owen Sound campaign for many years, was rewarded for his hard work by seeing 100% participation in the community's campaign.

Sarnia's campaign, led by local businessman Mel Cohen, resulted in a 25% increase in giving over the previous year. A lover of both poetry and the theatre, Cohen welcomed Dr. Julia Libman, guest speaker at the community's campaign evening with a song he composed.

Motel owner Louis Schreibmann spearheaded the Orillia campaign.

High school teacher and synagogue president Frank Richardson chaired Sault St. Marie's campaign.

Ben Herman took some time off from his favorite pastime – fishing – to once again lead the UIA campaign in North Bay.

Chatham's Sam Siskind takes time off from his duties as a City Alderman for community duties as Chatham's UIA campaign chairman.

Dr. Jack Sniderman, who practiced medicine in Israel for a year in a voluntary program, recently returned to Peterborough where he has taken an active role in the UIA campaign, with Jack Moldaver as chairman.

Shimshon Kreutner, director general of Keren Hayesod, will be a guest at the 25th anniversary citation luncheon, Oct. 15 at the Oakdale Golf and Country Club.

Five Ontario communities which held UIA campaigns participated in special projects organized by Simcha Genossar, special representative from Israel.

Other Ontario Campaigns

1971 Belleville chairman Bruce Karten has announced that Charles Lear will head the upcoming campaign here.

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William Zelikovitz will chair Sudbury's fall campaign.

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The Kirkland Lake - Rouyn campaign will be chaired by Nate Kaplan and Justice Max Garmaise.

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Galt's fall campaign will be chaired by Joe Spring.

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Hotelier Harry Finer was chairman of the Oshawa campaign, assisted by Lewis Sklar and Hersh Nichols.

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Jack Helpert and Ruth Korman co-chaired the Timmins campaign.

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The Niagara Falls community, chaired for many years by Joe Rosberg, held a very interesting and successful campaign which was addressed by Simcha Genossar, special representative from Israel.

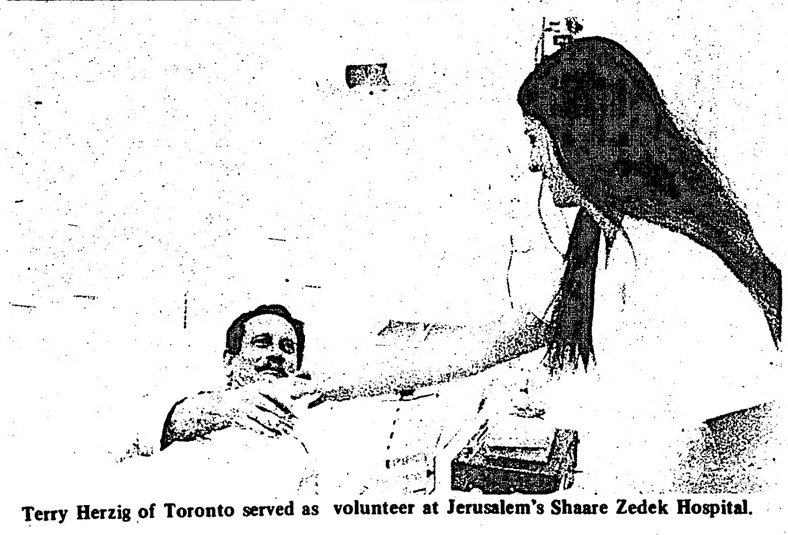
Community leader Maurice Halperin chaired Stratford's campaign.

Under the chairmanship of local businessman Charles Zalev (left), Windsor was the second largest contributor of funds to the Ontario UIA. Next year's Women's Division chairman is Harriet Whiteman (right). A key worker in Windsor's campaign was Dr. Bernard Lyons.

Dr. Bernard Lyons

Phil Granovsky (left), chairman of the 1972 Metropolitan Toronto UJA-ISF campaign, shares a joke with Al Green (right), this year's chairman. In the background is Dr. Gerald Halbert, chairman of the Campaign Planning Committee.

Appropriately enough, family man Howard Kamin's leadership was largely responsible for St. Catharines becoming the highest per-family-giving centre of the Ontario campaign, with London a close second. Chairman Kamin wasn't alone, however. He received the enthusiastic help of Morton Revzen honorary chairman of the campaign and Kelly Granek, an active participant in all community affairs.



Terry Herzig of Toronto served as volunteer at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital.

Hospital volunteer

A novel way to spend summer

Though only 20, Terry Herzig of Toronto was determined to spend this summer in Israel in some capacity other than tourist. Like many of her generation, she is enough of a veteran traveler to have wished to live abroad in a less artificial manner, and closer to the life of Israelis.

Consequently, she enrolled in Shaare Zedek Hospital as a summer volunteer. She has been living in Jerusalem and going to work each morning in the hospital's internal medicine department.

Her duties have included helping the dietician, feeding patients who need assistance, and aiding nurses in innumerable ways so that they might be free for actual bedside care.

"In my first week I almost dropped out. Now friends wonder about my 'morbid' attachment to hospital work," she observed. "Actually, it isn't morbid at all. I've developed quite an interest in medicine, and, frankly, it is very gratifying to give service."

Terry describes the doctors at Shaare Zedek as having "a tremendous respect for volunteers. They explain things carefully and willingly, and most of the volunteers find this interesting, and give their all."

It is a novel way to do Israel, but Terry and her young colleagues are convinced that summer volunteer service is superior to a first class tour.

CNE should use Canadian entertainers

By RICK KARDONNE

Canadian content? This is a question which everybody involved in Canada's entertainment scene sooner or later must comment on.

In a previous article, I vigorously attacked the super-conservatism of most Toronto record companies, who simply will not invest in any local talent unless it conforms to the most conventional and colorless musical standards. This attitude is paralleled by the policy of many local radio and TV outlets who simply refuse to gamble on local talent (on the grounds that it is "unknown") but will beg on their knees for the most mediocre American talent simply because it has been "proven in reputation" south of the border. As a result, many of the best American entertainment and media people are in reality Canadians who went south of the border because they just could not crack the timid-minded tightness of the local market. Examples include Percy Faith, Morley Safer, David Clayton-Thomas and David Steinberg.

In the late 60s, the increasing undesirability of American cities, together with the impressive growth and the stylish new sophisticated atmosphere of Toronto and Vancouver, not only acted as a natural magnet to keep Canadians home when ever feasible but in addition has attracted many new immigrants from both America and overseas. Toronto shows signs of soon becoming a major movie city, and Vancouver is seriously challenging San Francisco as the "in" spot on the West Coast. And yet, the superconservatism of the media establishment shows no signs of greater receptivity to local talent.

As a reply to this situation, the CRTC inaugurated a new system of Canadian content quotas for radio and TV. Ordinarily I am solidly against quotas of any kind. But in this case, there was no other alternative. Especially in view of the fact that 90% of all rock radio stations (Canada included) are rigidly preprogrammed and controlled by the Gannon and Drake systems in Los Angeles, the CRTC regulations were mandatory. They still do not attack the basic root of the problem – the conservative minds of the people who still control much of the media – but at least the CRTC has opened up the gate to change.

What is now urgently needed is a greater exhibition of raw local talent to the public, without the middle man, whether he be the record company or the talent manager. It has been suggested that in retaliation against American laws restricting Canadians from performing in the States, that similar laws be passed here regarding American performers here. I oppose these suggestions for two reasons: (1) it could backfire and kill any chance for exposure of Canadian records in the States as a result of stiffer retaliatory legislation down there, and (2) Canadian talent will artistically develop only through firsthand exposure to the best live performers in the world within the setting of a large sophisticated city as Toronto.

However, the Canadian government does have a responsibility for exposing Canada's own talent to the public. Therefore, it is only logical that next year, the headliners of the CNE grandstand shows should be 60% Canadian. After all, the CNE is the Canadian National Exhibition, not the Dufferin Follies. The grandstand shows should be the definitive place at which to present Canada's contribution to artistic and entertainment talent.

'Emigres undergo terrible crisis'

By CANDICE LICHTMAN

TORONTO –

Soviet Jews who emigrate to Israel undergo a terrible crisis, says a professor of Russian studies at Hebrew University.

"The Aliyah of the Russians is accompanied by uncertainty, sacrifice, often danger and a strain which remains over a period of time", Prof. Ted Friedgut said during a guest lecture at Hillel House last week. "It puts them into a nervous condition which is pretty difficult."

Originally from Regina, Professor Friedgut during a short visit to Toronto, spoke to students about the problems involved in Russian immigration.

When a Russian Jew enters the Israeli way of life, said Friedgut, he experiences an extreme "culture shock".

Structures are not as rigid in Israel. The newcomers are faced with new decisions, such as choice of occupation and education.

According to Friedgut, about 70% of the Russian immigrants received post secondary education. Economically Russia provided them a framework of security. Jobs were assured and they lived fairly well. The state provided medical care, grants (like engineers) are too specialized. There are novelists, teachers, lawyers and older people who have difficulty finding work.

Because the Russians do not speak Hebrew, Friedgut explained, initially they feel cut off from all culture.

Much of the training Jews received in Russia, he said, is not up to Israeli standards or is inappropriate to Israeli needs. Many immi- education and other services.

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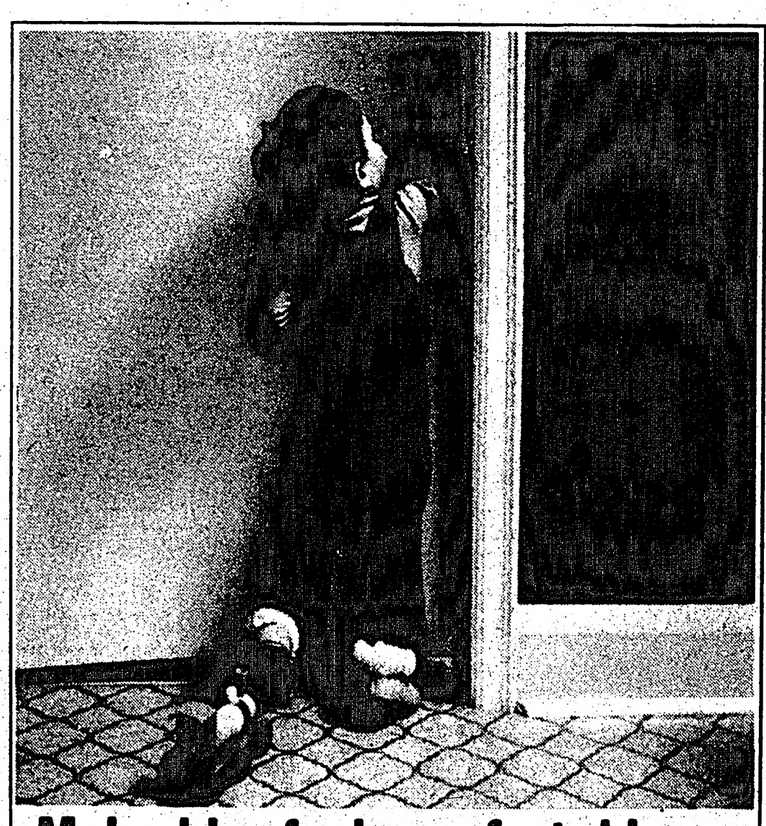

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Well - known community leader Ben A. Himel, long identified with the Toronto Israel Bond Campaign through numerous affiliations with communal organizations, will be the guest of honor at the annual State of Israel Bond Award event sponsored by Toronto Lodge, B'nai B'rith. Date of this year's Bond Award Reception is November 16th. Mr. Himel is Member-at-Large of the Executive Council for 1972 of the State of Israel Bond Drive in Toronto.

Prisoners protest Holy Day meal delay

KINGSTON –

Five Jewish inmates at Collin's Bay Penitentiary protested on Erev Yom Kippur about the delay in transportation of kosher TV dinners, says the Jewish chaplain for the prison.

Rabbi Judah Mintz, chaplain in the Kingston area, told **The CJN** the prisoners in the maximum security institution protested after being given liver as a substitute for their Erev Yom Kippur meal.

Reports that prisoners wanted an extra kosher meal on Yom Kippur were inaccurate, said the rabbi.

Collin's Bay warden Ernest Noel said the prepared kosher meals arrived late from a Toronto warehouse. By agreement, all Jewish inmates receive kosher meals on Jewish holidays.

Rabbi Mintz explained Jewish prisoners at Joyceville and Millhaven get regular kosher meals and Jewish inmates at other institutions get substitute meals. The kitchen staff of the prison may leave out meat from a meal and replace it with vegetable fare if the kitchen cannot provide an adequate replacement such as fish.

At Joyceville, a medium security institution, the rabbi said there are 16 Jewish inmates and two are allowed into the kitchen to help in preparation of meals. At Collin's Bay and Millhaven which are maximum security institutions, there's the problem of getting Jewish inmates into the kitchen and getting co-operation from the kitchen staff, he continued.

The rabbi admitted some of the prisoners demanding kosher meals "wouldn't know an aleph from abet."

"Some are legitimate, some are not, but the important thing is the principle of the availability of the meals."

Daniel Monson (right), president of the Zionist Organization of Canada, and his wife chat with Gen. Yitzhak Rabin, Israel's ambassador to U.S.A., at a dinner in Vancouver. They were in the West coast city to honor Morris J. Wosk, a member of the national executive board of ZOC. He was named Vancouver Man of the Year.

Major sees bright future

By FRANK MICHAEL
(Second of two articles)

Mao T'se Tung, poet-potentate of China's cultural and political revolutions, frequently admonished his cadres to "turn a bad thing into a good thing" during China's long march to world prominence. The same dialectics apply to Leon Major's task at the outset of his company's fourth season, a crucial one for the Centre's survival as a relevant cultural entity.

Despite ominous rumblings from Aldermen Boytchuk and Beavis, prophesies of doom by the popular press, and misgivings by much of Toronto's artistic community, a buoyant Major reports that morale at the Centre has never been higher. In fact, some of Major's exhuberance is well-founded. Sales for series - subscriptions are up 40% over last year, and previews for all five plays are sold-out. The Centre's decision to mount all five productions on one basic set unit, while fraught with difficulties of forced stylization and artificial constraint, has necessitated closer collaboration in casting, repertoire - selection, directing, and design, and may hasten the company's much-needed development of a distinctive house style.

A most encouraging development is the fact that, contrary to some preliminary indications, the five plays making up the new season do not constitute a particularly 'safe' or 'timid' program. Indeed, the selection, albeit abbreviated, radiates weight, ambition, and considerable insight into the topical concerns of Toronto's theatre-going community. Kafka's **The Trial**, leading off the season on November 7th, raises the nervous prospect of totalitarianism, and, coincidentally, reflects a rare but vibrant apocalyptic trend in Jewish literature.

Shakespeare's **Twelfth Night**, a gentle satire on the younger generation's simplistic attitude to love, is a timely inclusion in the wake of today's 'new pietism,' and also accentuates Major's conviction that "The Stratford Festival should not have a monopoly on Shakespeare."

"Although, inevitably," he hastens to add, "there will be comparisons." O'Neill's **A Touch of the Poet**, represents an autobiographical documentation of the 'male-menopause' syndrome, an exploration of the pressures of middle-age.

Euripides' **Electra**, an ancient account of bloodthirsty retaliation and revenge, resurrects a somber spectre in the aftermath of the recent tragedy at Munich. The season's final production, Quebec playwright Michel Tremblay's **Les Belles Soeurs**, is a bitter comedy of values, set in the dull, hypnotic round of daytime television, bingo, lotteries and quiz-games that characterizes the lives and aspirations of many housewives in lower-income strata. On paper, at least, the new season should interest precisely the popular cross-section Leon Major hopes to attract and unify into a permanent St. Lawrence Centre audience.

No one should expect the St. Lawrence company to achieve artistic prominence in one great leap forward. Leon Major and his staff do have the opportunity, however, to turn a mediocre situation into a slightly better one. Of course, time and determination are both of the essence. Major has demonstrated determination. Time will tell the rest.

Young female power helps Jewish Appeal

From our Quebec Bureau

MONTREAL –

With community involved women now asserting their independence and personal drive more than ever before, Montreal's Combined Jewish Appeal is feeling the full brunt of this new force.

"This represents a changing trend in the community," said Robin Scott, 25, a co-chairman of the young women's division of the annual fund-raising drive, "since young women are now participating to a greater extent without relying on their husbands or families."

Co-chairman Reggie Roll, 22, concurs with Robin, and adds that "we explain the fundamental aims on a level that directly relates to the needs of young women our age."

"We try and translate the goals of the campaign into a meaningful language – where the young women will be personally affected."

Reggie and Robin have close ties with the campaign because their families have been involved for many years, and Robin's father is this year's campaign chairman.

The two young women recently organized an evening tea where AJCS Community Planning Director Emanuel Weiner outlined the problems facing the community at home and overseas, and in what directions the funds raised are allocated.

"Most of the girls said they were glad to have come, even if they were hesitant about coming before," said Robin.

"The tea was also helpful," she added, "because when girls volunteer to solicit gifts over the phone they are armed with facts, and can respond to questions appropriately."

For the last five months both Reggie and Robin have been organizing a phon-a-gift force for the three weeks in September and October when the telephone talks take place.

The two young women have also recruited eight area chairman and each chairman has encouraged six or seven girls to work with her.

"It's a very difficult, but a rewarding task, to work for Combined," said Robin, "because what we're trying to do is reach the uncommitted girls who have never been affiliated before, and activate them to participate."

Both Reggie and Robin feel their experiences with the campaign have been so satisfying that they plan to become involved with the Young Women's Federation of AJCS.

And doing what?

"We'll see," they laughed in unison.

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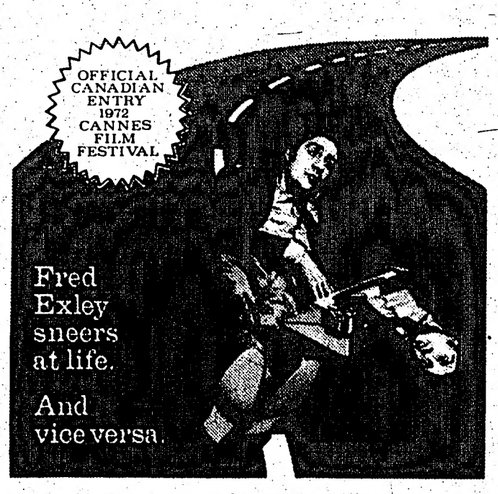

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Israel Philharmonic Orchestra to be led by Mehta in Toronto

TORONTO -

The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, under the chairmanship of David Raitblat, and International Artists are joint sponsors of a concert to be given at Massey Hall by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra on the evening of Oct. 19.

The orchestra was last heard in Toronto in November, 1970 and this will be the only Canadian appearance during its current North American tour under the direction of Zubin Mehta. After seven consecutive years as guest conductor Mehta has now been appointed music director of the Philharmonic.

This return engagement is under the distinguished patronage of Theodor Meron, ambassador of the State of Israel.

The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation is currently actively engaged in raising funds for a reciprocal program of cultural exchange. This involves the sponsorship of talented young Israelis in music and the arts who can benefit from advanced study in Canada, as well as similar sponsorship of qualified young Canadians who can benefit from further study in Israel.

Exhibit at Dunkleman

Ex-journalist says it with music

By MAX MANN

Last June 16, **LIFE Magazine** reported: "With 12 miles of masking tape, 4,000 gallons of special paint and lots of stooping, artist Gene Davis created the world's largest painting. It covers a 31,464 square foot parking area at the Philadelphia Museum of Art and may last five years.

The artist of this mammoth asphalt was Gene Davis, former UPI Washington correspondent during the Truman and Eisenhower administrations. The Dunkelman Gallery is showing his less giant work until Oct. 7.

Davis's work consists entirely of color applied as vertical lines of varying width and spacing reaching top to bottom of the canvas. By limiting himself to painting lines, he avoids the distractions of design and lets color have its full effect.

Included in the show is **Moroccan Wedding,** an elegant, rich series of deep blue, red and pink stripes of acrylic paint on canvas. **African Prince** with its wide black stripes, relieved by raw white, is an exciting, warm work.

In contrast, **Robin Hood** is a sparse, dull canvas consisting of thin stripes, faintly outlined and widely spaced presented on a mottled grey background.

Tom Cat and **Needle Park,** in spite of their titles, are sunny arrangements of golden yellow stripes.

In the works labelled **Parachute** and **Diamond Jim,** Davis, having exhausted the hard edge approach, experiments successfully with stain on raw canvas, applied free hand. The effect produces a sense of movement throughout the canvas, softer, more shimmering and less precise than his previous work.

Former writer Gene Davis gave up the pen for the brush.

The use of simple geometric forms as containers for color by Albers, Rothko, Varsarley and Davis has been a major contribution to contemporary painting. Whether square, circle or line, these artists have shown us the full potentiality of color for its own sake.

The line painters, however, run certain risks. Sometimes their work is more reminiscent of canvas awnings than of masterly painting. Others risk comparison with the striping in pyjamas. Davis, in his latest works, the freehand stained lines, suggests a rich flannel, beautiful in its own right, but hardly remarkable.

One almost prays for a new generation of artists who will apply paint without spraying, dripping, peeling or smearing the color. Rich, bright or decorative as the squares or lines may be, continued preoccupation and endless variations on the same theme threaten eventual boredom and sterility.

Musical written by two matrons proves to be sprightly, tuneful, professional show

By SOL I. LITTMAN

When you hear that a couple of nice young Jewish matrons have written a musical about a bunch of wild Canadian kids who find meaning in their lives in a hippie commune in Israel, you hardly know what to expect. When you learn that they have staged shows for Hadassah you anticipate that you will be subjected to home movies.

What a relief then to sit in at the dress rehearsal of **Poor Old World, We Love You Anyway,** with book and lyrics by Ruth Abrams and Rosalyne Federman and discover that the show was pleasant, sprightly, tuneful and wholly professional.

The 17 songs are not all equally memorable, but they have snap, sparkle and considerable variety.

The first act, at least in rehearsal, seemed somewhat overlong and could have used a few cuts. However, the pace improved in the shorter, second act, and the show became increasingly enjoyable.

If Abrams and Federman display real talent as writers and composers, the cast they have assembled doesn't quite match their abilities. In particular, the choreography seemed based on the notion that no one should stand still or complete a dance sequence. Movement was based on the usual, swoops, floor dives, and lots of marching and countermarching. The choreographer, in turn, was probably handicapped by the cast's lack of basic dance skill.

The play's heroine, Sara, played by Joy Carr was weak in her spoken parts, but sang well. Her big number, **Here in Jerusalem,** was one of the most exciting in the show.

Francois Regis Klanfer, as the Israeli bureaucrat, Muki, was warm, lithe, funny and as believable as a musical comedy character can be.

Keith Mills as the middle-aged Max, both sang and acted well and skilfully built his part.

The hero, Abbie, played by Dominic Hogan, was handsome and competent while the villain of the piece, the hashish smuggling seducer of unhappy, neurotic Jewish maidens, Thom Hayes, was satisfactorily evil.

On the whole, this first major effort by these two mothers (each of whom has four children), seems to contain elements of both **Fiddler** and **Hair.** In fact, the play was more exciting when it fiddled than when it let its hair down.

The cast, almost entirely non-Jewish, could use some extra rehearsal in pronouncing the gutteral "ch" as in chutzpah.

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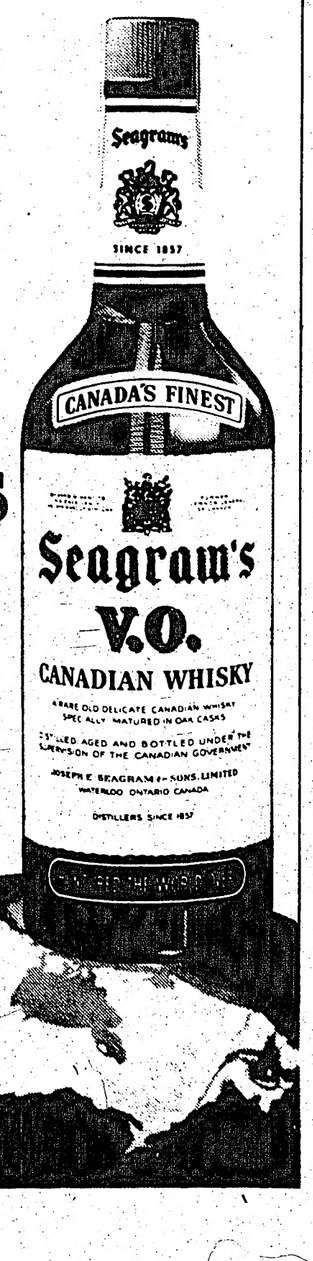

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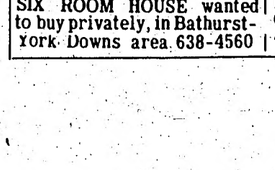

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O Jerusalem! is at once compelling and enfuriating. Compelling because in its lively narrative style it retells a story as a great story of human suffering, courage and tragedy should be told.

By isolating and exposing the emotional details of the personal encounters of the protagonists and by highlighting individual motives rather than general sociological trends, the authors bring to life the conflict in the Middle East in a rare and compelling way. **O Jerusalem!**, by exploring the fate of this historic city through the eyes of the individuals who inhabited it, lends a new urgency to the search for an acceptable settlement.

But the book is also enfuriating. Billed as the first genuinely "objective" account of the struggle for Jerusalem immediately before and after the adoption of the United Nations Partition Plan for Palestine in 1948, the book in fact reveals a pervading pro-Israeli bias, both in its general tone and in its attention to specific details. Jews are portrayed as quiet, calculatingly shrewd patriots with a gift for organizing with precision, leaving nothing to chance and plotting their every move. Arabs, on the other hand, are portrayed either as careless, boasting and carousing Bedouins who time and again are victimized by their own intemperate rhetoric, or as introverted Moslem scholars with no taste for the harsh realities of competition and aggressiveness in political life.

Too often the authors' sympathy with the Arab cause emerges as a kind of patronizing gesture. While Israeli dissatisfaction with the limits of the Partition Plan is explained in elaborate references to 2,000 years of yearning for a return to their "homeland", Arab rejection of the plan is interpreted as evidence of their failure to understand the basic principles of Zionism and of their penchant for emotional and irrational responses to politics.

In a recent interview co-author Dominique Lapierre extended the book's tendency to offer rather simplistic reasons for various Arab actions when he told the interviewer that one of the reasons that direct negotiations between Arabs and Israelie have not been agreed to by the Arabs is that "it is very hard for any Arab chieftain to talk to Golda Meir, simply because she is a woman."

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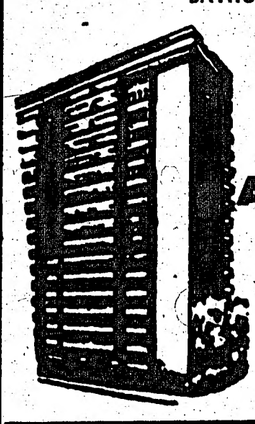

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"Well, they really accept it," said Glenn, grinning widely, "they're used to strange things, and I guess I'm one of those strange things."

Not only is Glenn a sensitive youth worker who was recently with the Jewish General Hospital's emergency drug unit, but because the JFS hired a distinctively non-Jewish youth worker, the barrier that exists between the 'establishment' Jewish agency and young people in the community is gradually eliminated.

According to Sol Brownstein, executive-director of the JFS, the project was developed because the agency met with minor success in terms of referrals from the non-Orthodox clinics and organizations.

Glenn's approach is to "show my face", and establish the most important criterion for an outreach worker – trust. He sees himself as an intermediary between the kids and the JFS, "but they don't see me as a social worker from an agency but like a bum off the street."

Yurich's talent seen in powerful stories

book review

By BERNARD BASKIN

SOMEONE JUST LIKE YOU
BY Sol Yurich;
Fitzhenry and Whiteside

The 13 short stories in this collection attest to Sol Yurich's talent and versatility. Their force and passion will come as no surprise to those already familiar with the author's three widely-acclaimed novels.

Yurich's novels flow out of the modern urban environment and throb with life and energy. **The Warriors** deals with New York street gangs; with the feelings and motivations, the rites and rituals of a deeply disturbed and hostile generation. **Fertig** concerns a disoriented and angry man, desperately seeking to avenge himself against a society that has cost him his only child. In **The Bag,** a sensitive professor flees from the classroom when he no longer can relate to his students or find meaning in his teaching. He is catapulted into a frightening new existence, peopled by drug pushers and addicts, welfare clients, revolutionaries and zealous partisans of the New Left.

The stories in **Someone Just Like You** focus on the mingled frustrations and sudden illuminations that come to troubled spirits in surcharged and dramatic settings.

In a searing confrontation entitled **The Seige** an elderly woman welfare recipient is forced to unlock a small secret room at the insistence of two welfare investigators. When opened it contains nothing more than scraps of worthless and discarded junk. But in the process of revealing the mystery something private and precious is lost by the disconsolate old woman, and some new awareness and guilt is born in the hearts of the two social workers.

The Before and After of Hymie Farbotnik is a short satirical tale of a young man with a penchant for developing his muscles. He discovers in a brief encounter with an attractive woman that softness can overcome strength and that roundness can be more effective than firmness of body.

A macabre and startling story . . . **And A Friend To Sit By Your Side** concerns an old, burned-out pensioner who is visited by a worker for Suicides Anonymous. Instead of talking the aged drifter out of his decision, the eager visitor induces him to end it all with two capsules and find release in death.

The Tarentella and **The Bird Whistle Man** are attempts to show how childlike innocence destroys the more complex rythyms of adult behavior. In the first story a mandolino player who entertains passers-by in a park is undone by a widely dancing child. In the other story, a gentle, retired elevator operator who has learned to imitate bird calls loses his gift when a foolish mother accuses the friendly extrovert of molesting her daughter.

Several of the stories are extremely experimental, bordering on the surreal – the language is luxuriant and the plots hard to follow. These are not successful or rewarding. But there is enough richness and variety in this slender volume to send enthusiastic readers to Yurich's more substantial novels.

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